

**CATHOLIC FAITH COMMUNITY
JOINT BASE MYER-HENDERSON HALL
FORT MYER, VIRGINIA 22211**

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Dear Catholic Community:

We couldn't have a better message than what we hear today as we prepare for our Advent Penance Service this coming Thursday. Although repentance is not as strong a theme during Advent as it is during Lent; nevertheless, it is a theme. Because we are told to "watch and wait" for the coming of the Lord, we are reminded that this is not a waste of time. We're called to ACTIVELY PREPARE ourselves to meet Him. One of the ways we do that is by turning away from sin. We're reminded that we meet the Lord, not on our terms, but on God's. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a great way to "get ready to meet the Lord" whether at Christmas, in our everyday lives or when we are called from this life to see Him face to face.

I really want to encourage your participation this coming Thursday here at the chapel at 1900. We'll begin with communal prayer and then find our way to individual confessors. I thank the priests who will be coming to celebrate this sacrament with us. May our Advent preparation help us TO MEET THE LORD!

Blessings,
Fr. Fred

Upcoming Events

- Designated Offering:** This weekend Holiday Food Voucher Program (Christmas)
- 7 December** 4 Signs of a Dynamic Catholic seminar
- 8 December** Holy Day Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Masses at noon and 1800
- 11 December** 0900 Daily Mass
1130 Advent Concert featuring organist Randall Sheets
1200 lunch then devotional at 1225
- 11 December** 1900 Penance Service and Individual Confession/Childcare available
- 13 December** 0930 Wreathes Across America at Arlington National Cemetery
- 14 December** Pastoral Council Meeting

"I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Have you invited the Holy Spirit into your marriage? The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** are **20-22 Feb 2015** in Herndon or **17-19 Apr 2015** in Fredericksburg. For more information or to apply, visit our website at renewmarriage-vanorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or 703-378-4150.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER--for Vocations to the Priesthood and the Military Chaplaincy; for our deployed troops and their families; for our parishioners who are ill; and for our deceased:

Deployed: FC2 Joseph Reed, USN; Carol Yannarella, USAF; CPT Mike Mobbs, USA; Ginny Ortiz, Peace Corps

Deceased: Ivan Pierce Jr. (father of Ivan Pierce), George Fries, Joseph E. Nestro, Louise Pratt, Charles Daknis (brother of Bill Daknis)

Healing: Buddy Craven, Sue Higgins, Bob Daknis, Jimmy Daknis, Joseph Toth, Jeanmarie Jonston, Jim Campbell, Betsy Hendrix, Alfred Prados, Jim Egan, Len Trahan, Bob Bowen, Kevin Tighe, Bob Schaaf, Alexis Coffer, Frank Bernardo, Bonnie Benne, Richard Wicks, Margaret Asten

Toy Collection: In coordination with the Installation Chaplains' **Holiday Food Voucher Program at Christmas**, the **ACS Volunteer Association** collects and distributes toys to the children of Service members assigned to Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall. There are donation boxes for toys at the Fort Myer Exchange and the JBM-HH Commissary. To make it even easier for our chapel members, we will have donation boxes here at the Chapel on **7 December** and **14 December**. Please bring NEW, UNWRAPPED toys to share with the children of our Joint Base. For information, contact CJ Buche at 703-945-4050.

Offering for 29-30 November

1700 Vigil Mass: \$1,802.00
0900 Sunday Mass: \$2,325.78
Total: \$4,127.78

ATTENDANCE: 362

Please make checks payable to "CTOF"

Parish Contact Information

Pastor: Fr. Fred Wendel 703-696-5688 or alfred.w.wendel2.mil@mail.mil
Mass: 5PM Saturday Vigil, 9AM Sunday, Noon M-F. All at Memorial Chapel.
Reconciliation: 11:30-11:45AM Tuesday-Friday in Room 112 of Memorial Chapel.
Emergency Contact: Marshall Desk SGT 703-696-3525
Catholic Coordinator: Pam Ortiz pamortiz85@gmail.com
Parish Registration: See usher for form.
Advance E-bulletin: Available on website; e-mailed each Thursday
Sacraments and sponsor letters: Requires registration. Fr. Fred has pastoral jurisdiction only for active duty military and their family members.