

*Holy Family of Jesus, Mary
& Joseph*
26-27 December 2015

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Registration: Forms available on website or from an usher
Sacraments and Sponsor Letters: Requires registration. Fr. Fred has pastoral jurisdiction only for active duty military and their family members

E-Bulletins: Available on website; e-mailed each Thursday. Please add @jbmhhcatholicparish.com to "safe sender" list. Contact Pam with registrations changes or to Opt Out of receiving the e-bulletin.

Clergy Notes

Dear Catholic Community,

This weekend we celebrate Holy Family Sunday. We ask the Lord to bless our families and inspire us to keep loving one another. Family life is a gift but it also presents its challenges. I remember my mom once saying to me: "Why is it Fred that you can be nice to everyone else, but you're always crabby with us?" She was correct. I took my parents for granted. Do we do that too often with those closest to us? We just expect and we forget to respect. As we pray together this weekend, may the Lord bless our families and inspire all of us to love better. We'll never be perfect but we can always grow in those areas where we really don't love one another enough!

Finally, Happy New Year to all of you. May 2016 bring many blessings. Thank you all for your many kindnesses to me during 2015. It IS good to be with you. May we continue to pray for all in uniform and our DOD civilians and contractors who may be away from their families in this Christmas Season. As I always pray at the intercessions of Mass: "May God send his holy angels to watch over, guide and protect. Thank you too for those of you who are retired and give so much of yourselves to this faith community and that includes those in our community who have never served in the military but choose here as their place of worship.

In Christ,
Fr. Fred

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: Ginny Ortiz, Peace Corps

Deceased:

Healing: Buddy Craven, Joseph Toth, Jeanmarie Jonston, Alfred Prados, Jim Egan, Len Trahan, Bob Bowen, Kevin Tighe, Bob Schaaf, Alexis Coffey, Frank Bernardo, Nimpa Bautista, Bonnie Benne, Richard Wicks, Morris McGregor, John Bikus, Suzie Kumashiro, Hamlin Ortiz (father of Ham Ortiz), Randy Krug, Justin Cimino, Jack Doyle, Virginia Hoh, Jeff Lepak, Al and Marilyn Hanson, Russell Plaisance, Warren Krug, Gigi Goode, Betsy Plowman, Warren Efting, Barbara Nestro, Joe Franklin, Maureen Dubia, Helen Bernardo

~ Please contact Pam to remove names from Deployed and Healing lists~

Introduction to the Readings


First Reading: 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28 Today's reading takes place 11 centuries before Christ at an Israelite shrine, which is referred to as a "temple" in the text. When Hannah, who was childless, visited this shrine previously, Eli the high priest had promised that she would bear a son. Today's reading picks up from there. (Christians have seen Hannah as a symbol of Mary.)

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24 The first letter of John was written for the community whose leader produced the fourth Gospel. Today's passage describes in very familiar and understandable terms our close relationship with God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Psalm 84

December 26, 2015 through January 15, 2016

SAT & SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	
26 27 <i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i> NO Religious Education 1030 Finance Committee meeting	28 NO RCIA	29 NO Bible Study	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i> NO Daily Mass 1700 Vigil Mass	1 <i>Happy New Year!</i> <i>The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 0900 Mass	
2 <i>Socks for Homeless</i> collected at both Masses 	3 <i>The Epiphany</i> 1030 Baptism Instruction Class No Religious Education classes 1600 Epiphany Concert – Old Post Chapel	4 1800 RCIA	5 1100 Bible Study	6 Pastoral Council meeting RSVPs close	7 1900 Knights of Columbus Roundtable	8 Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 1000-1145
9 <i>Anointing of the Sick- Sat & Sun</i> DO: <i>Wounded Warriors Lourdes Pilgrimage- Sat & Sun</i> 1530 Executive Council meeting	10 <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i> 1030 EPIC, CRE, Teen Class 1030 Pastoral Council meeting	11 1800 RCIA	12 1100 Bible Study	13 1900 Fr Fred's Adult Ed class: World Religions – Blessed Sacrament Chapel	14	15 Training Holiday Chapel Closed NO Noon Mass

Offertory for 19-20 December 2015

1700 Vigil Mass: 124 \$1,424.26
0900 Mass: 226 \$3,175.39
Weekend Total: 350 \$4,599.65

Please make checks payable to C.T.O.F.

Scheduled Designated Offerings

9-10 January Wounded Warriors Lourdes Pilgrimage
23-24 January Luke's Wings
19-20 March Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA

Community Notes

Thank you! Many thanks for the cards and gifts I received this Christmas. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated. In Christ, Fr. Fred

The JBM-HH Knights of Columbus will start a community-wide *'Socks for Homeless'* project to reach out to those in need. We invite you to participate in this work of charity. The bags (or socks) will be collected on the weekend of **2-3 January 2016**. Please fill these bags/socks with suggested items in the insert. Thank you.

For more information or questions, please contact: Jeff Lepak at jeffrey.lepak777@gmail.com; Charles Kern at charles.jinae.kern@gmail.com; or Deacon Joe at josephpak@hotmail.com.

The annual **Christmas and Epiphany concert** will be held on Sunday, **3 January 2016**, at 1600 in the Old Post Chapel. The program will be a celebration of both Christmas and the Epiphany with the playing of favorite seasonal hymns. The concert will feature the Protestant choir along with Randall Sheets, organist/choirmaster, trumpet soloist Chuck Seipp, and a special ocarina soloist. Bring your friends and neighbors! A reception will follow the program.

The next **Pastoral Council meeting** is Sunday, **10 January 2016**, 1030 at the Ft Myer O'Club. If you'd like to attend, please RSVP to Pam (info@jbmhhcatholicparish.com) no later than 6 January.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins on **8 January 2016** and will continue throughout the year on each first Friday of the month, 1000 to 1145, Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please check the bulletin and website calendars for updates as the schedule may change due to holidays.

The Diocese of Richmond is holding its annual diocesan **Men's Conference** on Saturday, **16 January 2016** at the Greater Richmond Convention Center. Please see the flyer for more information or visit www.cdrcmf.org.

The Knights of Columbus and AMS have announced the dates for the **2016 Warriors to Lourdes** international pilgrimage for US military personnel - including the wounded, disabled, or infirmed - as **17-23 May 2016**. Our community will have a Designated Offering for the pilgrimage the weekend of **9-10 January 2016**. For more information or if you wish to apply, visit www.warriorstolourdes.com. The application deadline is **15 January**.

Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA press release: Archbishop Brogilo has decreed the elimination of fees for Catholics seeking marriage annulments through AMS. This action coincides with the commencement of the Jubilee Holy Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis on 8 December. For more information visit the AMS website at www.milarch.org.

Flower Dedication: A flower chart has recently been posted on the wall in Betsy Hendrix's office. You can request to have the flowers on a particular Sunday dedicated in honor of a loved one. There is no charge for the flower dedication. If you wish, you may add a bit to your regular donation.