

Our Vision: We seek to light the way to Christ as a strong military Catholic community of faith guided by the Holy Spirit and on fire with God's love.

Our Mission: We, the Catholic Community of Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, serve to advance the spiritual growth and resilience of all bonded by love of Christ, and share experiences of service to country. Guided by our military chaplain, we actively participate in the living Body of Christ and persevere in our Savior's mission. We are grateful stewards of the gifts we have received and eagerly use them to show our love for God

JBM-HH Catholic Community

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Mass: 5PM Saturday Vigil, 9AM Sunday

Daily Mass: Noon M – F in Blessed Sacrament Chapel

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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 – Weekend of 23-24 April

Dear Catholic Community,

Here's a [prayer from the AMS](#) that I invite you to pray regularly:

Almighty God and Father look with love up upon our men and women in uniform and protect them in time of need. Give them health and stability and allow them to return to their loves ones whole and unshaken. Be with their families and sustain them in these uncertain times.

Grant strength and peace of mind to the Veterans who have given their best to the country they love. Support them in infirmity and in the fragility of old age. Teach us to remember their sacrifices and to express our gratitude.

Manifest your tender care to those in the Military Academies who prepare for future service and to those who serve our Nation far from home. Teach us to remember the sacrifices of those whose efforts contribute to ensuring our way of life.

Bless and multiply the priests who minister to the faithful of the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Reward their generosity and keep them faithful.

Hear us as we present our prayers to You through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Christ,
Fr. Fred

Readings for Fifth Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

The Acts of the Apostles shows how the Easter message spread to all parts of the Mediterranean world. Today we hear a travelogue of part of one of Paul's missionary journeys that took him to modern-day Turkey. The mountainous terrain there made travel difficult and dangerous. The situation was made even worse because of the constant threat of robbers, flash floods and wild animals.

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. Psalm 145

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

Many people think that the book of Revelation gives secret information about future events, including the end of the world. But it was really intended to be a source of hope for the Christians suffering persecution toward the end of the first century. The author vividly describes visions of how God will ultimately overcome all evil and bring all creation to its destiny.

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; Ginny Ortiz, Peace Corps

Healing: Alfred Prados, Jim Egan, Len Trahan, Bob Bowen, Kevin Tighe, Bob Schaaf, Alexis Coffey, Frank Bernardo, Nimpa Bautista, John Bikus, Suzie Kumashiro, Hamlin Ortiz (father of Ham Ortiz), Randy Krug, Jack Doyle, Virginia Hoh, Jeff Lepak, Al and Marilyn Hanson, Russell Plaisance, Warren Krug, Betsy Plowman, Warren Efting, Barbara Nastro, Joe Franklin, Bob Daknis, Millie Nash, Maria Miani, Amanda Ciccone, Richard W. Kalb, Fran DeLoatche

Community Notes

A Request from Fr. Fred: I know a PFC in the Army who is expecting a child (a boy). She's by herself and has great need of items connected with having a baby. Because she has little family it would be great if we could help. I've gotten permission from the Garrison Chaplain to put this notice in the bulletin. In my office there will be a sheet on the wall next to my calendar, as you come in the door to your left. On that sheet will be items that are needed. Please tear off whatever you choose and return item to my office. I welcome particularly if you have any of these things at home perhaps down in the basement or stored away. Much appreciated. ~ Fr. Fred

The next **Theology on Tap** is on Thursday, **5 May**, at 1900, Champps Sports Bar, Pentagon Row. Facilitator is Fr. Joe Brankatelli. The topic will focus on human/Christian sexuality using St. Pope John Paul II's "[Theology of the Body](#)." All from the chapel are invited to attend. Father Joe is relocating this Spring and this will be our last chance to have him facilitate a TOT.

Attention Youths: Any young people interested in training to become an Altar Server, please let Fr. Fred know. Remember that you must have received your First Communion.

Adult Ed "World Religions" Guest Speaker: CH (LTC) Dawud Agbere, Islamic Chaplain, US Army will be the guest speaker at the World Religions class on Thursday, **12 May** at 1900. Chaplain Agbere will share with his experience as a Muslim chaplain in the US Army today, including his deployments to Afghanistan and work with Afghan soldiers. He will also share what it is like to be a Muslim living in the United States during a time of a time of misunderstanding and negative media attention.

Adult Ed Class Topics of Interest Opinion Survey: Over the next few weeks, Margaret Lepak, ministry coordinator for Adult Ed, will conduct a survey to determine topics you would be interested in learning more about in the Adult Education classes. Please return completed surveys to the ushers.

Fr. Fred's "Practice Makes Catholic" Class begins 5 June: If you are interested in being in that class, I'm asking for you to personally purchase the book. It's called: "Practice Makes Catholic: Moving from a Learned Faith to a Lived Faith" by Joe Paprocki, DMin. The book is \$9.95 and is available through Loyola Press, (800) 621-1008 or www.loyolapress.com. I'll be offering this class on Sundays during the summer from 1030 to 1130 after Fellowship. ~ Fr. Fred

April 23 – May 6 ~ visit the website to view full calendar

SAT & SUN		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
23	24 Fifth Sunday of Easter 1030 Volunteer Brunch – Ft. Myer Officer's Club 1030 CRE, EPIC	25 RCIA resumes in August	26 1100 Bible Study	27	28	29
30 1630 Confirmation – Crypt Church, Basilica	May 1 Sixth Sunday of Easter 0900 1 st Communion Reception after Mass 1030 CRE, EPIC	2 RCIA resumes in August	3 1100 Bible Study	4	5 1900 TOT at Champps Sports Bar	6 1000-1145 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Offertory Week 16-17 April 2016

1700 Vigil Mass: 120 \$1,438.00
0900 Mass: 283 \$3,031.00
Total: 403 \$4,469.00

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

Next Designated Offering: 4-5 June; Wounded Warrior Transition Units

Online Resources

[Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA](#)
[Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception](#)
[Jubilee Year of Mercy](#)
[The Holy See](#)
[United States Conference of Catholic Bishops \(USCCB\)](#)