

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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Registration: Forms available on website or email the Catholic Coordinator.

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 the Catholic Coordinator with registration changes or to Opt Out of receiving the e-bulletin.

Daily Mass: M – F, 1200, Blessed Sacrament Chapel **Reconciliation:** T – F, 1130 – 1145, Room 112
Please visit the [website calendar](#) for dates, locations, event details and for schedule updates.

27 August through 9 September

SAT & SUN		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
27 1700 Vigil Mass	28 <i>Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 0900 Mass 1030 CRE Volunteer Meeting, Bldg. 417	29 1900 RCIA	30 1100 Bible Study	31	Sept 1 1900 K of C Roundtable	2 Chapel Open Training holiday No noon Mass
3 <i>Designated Offering for Fisher House – Sat & Sun</i> 1700 Vigil Mass	4 <i>Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 0900 Mass + Name Tag Sunday reception afterwards	5 Labor Day Chapel Closed No Noon Mass No RCIA	6 1100 Bible Study 1900 Franciscan Pilgrimage meeting	7	8 1900 World Religions Class - Hinduism	9 1000-1145 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Connect with us! In addition to our [website](#), we are on [Facebook](#) and on [Twitter @JBMHHCatholics](#)

Offertory Week 20-21 August

1700 Vigil Mass: 107 \$1,047.80
0900 Mass: 229 \$2,733.00
Total: 336 \$3,780.80

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

Next Designated Offering: 3-4 Sept, Fisher House

Additional Links

- [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 \(USCCB\)](#)

Clergy Notes – Weekend of 27-28 August

Dear Catholic Community,

How do you define HUMILITY? Some people see it as a rather negative word. To them, humility means that I think "nothing of myself". In other words, I put myself down and always see myself as less. That's not a true definition of Christian humility. Humility, in the Christian sense, means that I recognize my need for God. I recognize that I am not perfect and that I need God in my life to lift me up. Humility is a way of acknowledging that I am a part of all humanity. As I want others to care for me even in my less than perfect ways, so also I care for others. Humility, as I think of the Gospel today, means that I don't have to "get their first" in order to feel good about myself. Like you, I've had the opportunity to meet some very accomplished people in my life. The ones who have always stood out to me, were those who didn't need all the attention; in fact, they went out of their way to put the light on others.

As we pray together today, let's keep in mind the words from the First Reading from the Book of Sirach. "MY child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God."

Blessings in Christ,
Fr. Fred

Readings – Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

The book of Sirach was written by a wise teacher who lived 200 years before Christ. Sirach ran a school for young people in Jerusalem. In today's section, he gives his students a string of wise sayings to guide them in their conduct.

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor. Psalm 68

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

In today's reading from the letter to the Hebrews, the author contrasts two covenants. He begins with the covenant at Mount Sinai, which was ratified amid fire and darkness. Then he speaks of the new covenant established by Jesus at Mount Zion (which is another name for Jerusalem).

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:

Deceased: Gwen Tighe, mother of Gene Tighe

Deployed: FC2 Joseph Reed, USN; Ginny Ortiz, Peace Corps, Kevin Voelker, DoD

Healing: Alfred Prados, Jim Egan, Len Trahan, Bob Bowen, Kevin Tighe, Bob Schaaf, Alexis Coffey, Frank Bernardo, John Bikus, Suzie Kumashiro, Jack Doyle, Virginia Hoh, Jeff Lepak, Al and Marilyn Hanson, Russell Plaisance, Warren Krug, Betsy Plowman, Warren Efting, Barbara Nastro, Joe Franklin, Bill Daknis, Bob Daknis, Maria Miani, Amanda Ciccone,

Religious Education

CRE – Volunteers Needed! Volunteer meeting this Sunday, **28 August**, 1030, JBM-HH Education Center, Building 417. New volunteers, please review the requirements found on the Catholic community [website](#). For more information, email the CRE Coordinator at CRE@jbmhhcatholicparish.com or call (703) 298-9765.

RCIA: begins this Monday, **29 August** at 1900 in the Conference Room. There will be food, too, at each class! Any who are interested in becoming Catholic or inquiring about Catholicism are invited to attend. If interested, please contact Fr. Fred at alfred.w.wendel2.mil@mail.mil or call (703) 696-5688.

Adult ED: *World Religions* class begins on Thursday, **8 September**, from 1900 to 2100, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. The first topic is Hinduism. The *Catholic Social Teachings* class begins on Sunday, **11 September**, at 1030 and also meets in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Community Announcements

Attention Franciscan Pilgrimage Travelers: Fr. Fred is holding a meeting on Tuesday, **6 Sept**, at 1900 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please make every effort to be present.

The next **designated offering** is the weekend of **3-4 September** and is for [Fisher House](#).

The annual Memorial Mass for Vietnam war hero [Fr. Vincent Capadanno](#) is scheduled for **6 Sept** at 1830 in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine. Fr. Capodanno was a USN Chaplain killed in action 49 years ago. At the time of his death, Fr. Capodanno - unarmed - was aiding and anointing wounded and dying Marines during a battle in Vietnam's Que Son Valley. He was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor. Military members are encouraged to wear the uniform of the day.

Jubilee Year of Mercy - A Special Note from Fr. Fred: In December of last year, I gave to each of you a "Year of Mercy Companion Book" with reflections for each day of the Year of Mercy. The "Year of Mercy" Jubilee Year began on the 8th of December 2015 and continues through the 20th of November 2016. I hope that you've been using the reflections in the book as meditations each day. They are short and many are very powerful. Using the thoughts from the reflection book, it reminds us that "in the Roman Catholic tradition, a Holy Year, or Jubilee, is a great religious event. It is a year of forgiveness of sins, of reconciliation between adversaries, of conversion and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and consequently of solidarity, hope, justice, commitment to serve God with joy, in peace with our brothers and sisters. A Jubilee year is above all a year of Christ, who brings life and grace to humanity." Those of us who have the great opportunity to go to Assisi and Rome on the 21st of September will also have the opportunity to walk through the Holy Door of St. Peter's that is only opened for Holy Years. Please keep the almost 40 from our congregation who will be making the journey in your prayers. I invite you between now and the 20th of November to pray the "Prayer of Pope Francis for the Jubilee" that is found on the inside of the front page of your reflection book and also included as a bulletin insert.