

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 and for one another. Jesus' life and teachings direct our lives as Christian disciples.

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.

Readings for the weekend of 26-27 November –

1st Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The prophet Isaiah dreamed of a day when Jerusalem (sometimes called Zion) would be in the center of the world, and all people would come there to receive instruction from God. In today's reading, Isaiah presents a vision of peace and prosperity for the whole world.

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Psalm 122

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Behind everything Paul wrote was his strong belief that the hour of Christ's return in glory was near at hand. In this passage, Paul uses the image of darkness and light to describe how Christians ought to live as they await that coming.

On 1 December, we bid farewell to SGT Veitia, the chapel's NCOIC, as she leaves for her next assignment. SGT V's service and dedication to the chapel communities has been greatly appreciated. Godspeed and God Bless!

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.

26 November through 9 December

SAT & SUN		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
26 1700 Vigil Mass	27 1st Sunday of Advent – Cycle A 0900 Mass No Religious Education	28 No RCIA	29 1100 Bible Study	30	DEC 1 1900 Adult Ed 1900 KofC Round Table	2 1000 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
3 Designated Offering: Christmas Food Vouchers – Sat & Sun Socks for the Homeless 1700 Vigil Mass	4 2nd Sunday of Advent 0900 Mass 1030 Rehearsal – Old Post Chapel 1030 Adult Ed, Baptism Class, CRE	5 1800 RCIA	6 1100 Bible Study 1900 Finance Committee meeting	7 1130 Daily Mass 1200 Advent Concert Reflection Light Lunch	8 Immaculate Conception 1200 Mass 1800 Mass	9

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Offertory Week 19-20 November

1700 Vigil Mass: 157 \$1,470.97
0900 Mass: 284 \$3,114.35
441 \$4,585.32

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

Next Designated Offering: 3-4 December for the Holiday (Christmas) Food Voucher Program

Additional Links

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

Dear Catholic Community:

Blessed Advent to you all. Where did this Liturgical year and Year of 2016 go!!!! As we once again prepare for Christmas, all of us will be VERY BUSY with many preparations. As so well known by all of you, it can be a time of stress, sadness and exhaustion. It can also be a time of both happy and sad memories. For those of you with young families and grandchildren, it can be an awesome time to see young people so excited. How many of us remember that well!!!! Amidst the rush of this time, I pray that you use your LITTLE BLUE BOOK daily, as a way to spiritually prepare for remembering again the "Word that became flesh". Remember to offer up the joys and sorrows of this to the Lord. Unite yourself more closely with Him. Especially, I want you to remember that the Christmas Season begins with the first Mass of Christmas. Please don't get confused with the time between Thanksgiving and Christmas. It's a wonderful time, but it's ADVENT not CHRISTMAS!!!

This year our children will have their pageant on Saturday, the 10th of December. The pageant will be at 1615 followed by regular 1700 Mass and then fellowship in the hall. Make plans to attend even if you don't have young people involved. It's a wonderful catholic community event.

Many blessings,
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: FC2 Joseph Reed, USN; Ginny Ortiz, Peace Corps, Kevin Voelker, DoD; Harold Miller, Jr., DoD; Deborah & Panakkal David, FS

Healing: Alfred Prados, Jim Egan, Len Trahan, Bob Bowen, Kevin Tighe, Bob Schaaf, Alexis Coffey, Frank Bernardo, John Bikus, Suzie Kumashiro, Jack Doyle, Bill Hoh, Virginia Hoh, Jeff Lepak, Al and Marilyn Hanson, Russell Plaisance, Warren Krug, Warren Efting, Barbara Nestro, Joe Franklin, Bill Daknis, Bob Daknis, Maria Miani, Richard W. Kalb, Fran DeLoatche, Babs Clare, Finnian Lalime, John Bian, Lina Czubas

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next **designated offering** is the weekend of **3-4 December** and is for the Holiday (Christmas) Food Voucher Program.

The Knights of Columbus' "**Socks for the Homeless**" project begins the weekend of **3-4 December**. Knights will distribute bags after the Masses that weekend. Please see the bulletin insert for more information about this charitable project.

Thursday, **8 December** is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** and is a holy day of obligation. There are two noon Masses – one at Memorial Chapel and the other at Ft. McNair; the evening Mass is at 1800 at Memorial Chapel.

Wednesday lunchtime **Advent Concerts - 7 December** and **14 December**. Music begin at 1200, followed by a reflection and a light lunch in Fellowship Hall. On these two Wednesdays only, daily Mass will be celebrated at 1130.

Volunteers needed to host reception - The annual Christmas Pageant will be Saturday, **10 December** at 1600. Please contact Ivan Pierce at cre@jbmhhcatholicparish.com if you can assist with the reception, which begins after the vigil mass. Volunteers are asked to bring dishes and assist with set up at 1530. Clean up will begin 30 minutes after the end of mass.

Advent Penance Service is Tuesday, **13 December**, Memorial Chapel, at 1900. Several priests are participating, allowing for the chance of individual confession. Whether it's been a long or short time since you've been to confession, plan to be present.

The **World Religions** class will be studying Ancient Asian Religions: Taoism, Confucianism, and Shintoism on December 1 and 15 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. **December 1** we will meet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel; **December 15** we will meet in the conference room. All are welcome to attend.