

**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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**Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** (800) 273-8255 | [Veterans Crisis Line](#)

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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.

**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.

**31 December 2016 through 13 January 2017**

SAT & SUN		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
<b>31</b> <i>New Year's Eve</i> 1700 Vigil Mass	<b>JAN 1</b> <i>Octave Day of Christmas: Mary, Mother of God</i> 0900 Mass No Religious Education <b>Happy New Year!</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Chapel Closed</b> No Daily Mass No RCIA	<b>3</b> No Bible Study	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 1900 KC Roundtable	<b>6</b> 1000 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<b>7</b> <i>KC "Socks for the Homeless" project ends Sunday</i> 1700 Vigil Mass	<b>8</b> <i>The Epiphany</i> Name Tag Sunday 0900 Mass 1030 Adult Ed, CRE 1030 Baptism Class 1700 Epiphany Concert	<b>9</b> 1000 Living Word 1800 RCIA	<b>10</b> 1100 Bible Study	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 1900 Adult Ed	<b>13</b> Training Holiday  No Daily Mass

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

**Offertory Weekend 24-25 December**

1700 Vigil Mass: 625 \$4,434.30  
0900 Mass: 102 \$2,027.00  
**727 \$6,461.30**

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

**Next Designated Offering:** 14 April 2017; Holy Land Collection

Dear Catholic Community,

Today, many celebrate the beginning of a new calendar, our Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Mother of God. It is the oldest of all Marian feasts in our liturgy. It is also a feast uniquely appropriate to those of us concerned with new beginnings, with new resolutions, and renewed hopes.

Paul's Letter to the Galatians tells us that by being born of a woman, born under the law, the son of God fully participates in the human condition. He is one of us, because of Mary. Mary's choice was not right or wrong, it stemmed from who she was and knew herself to be as a daughter of Israel, a child of God. Some will posit that an average adult makes about 35,000 remotely conscious decisions daily -while there's no way to accurately measure it. CS Lewis shares with us how we should make our decision when he said: *"At most, you will live a hundred years on earth, but you will spend forever in eternity."*

Happy New Year!  
Deacon Joe

**Readings for the weekend of  
31 December 2016 – 1 January 2017**

**First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27**

The fourth book of the Bible is called the Book of Numbers simply because in describing the wanderings of the people in the Sinai Desert, it gives two census reports. In this section, we hear how God instructed the priestly leaders to bless the people.

*May God blessed us in his mercy*  
Psalm 67

**Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7**

Galatia was a Roman province in what is now central Turkey. Paul had visited and founded a Christian community. In this section of his letter to them, he explains that all people, not just a few, are called to be sons and daughters of God.

**Welcome**

**New registrations:** Sister Margaret Langer & Daniel Lawler



*Welcome one another,  
then, as Christ  
welcomed you, for the  
glory of God.*

[Romans 15:7](#)

**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; for our deceased; and, for those who are lonely or in crisis:

**Deployed:** FC2 Joseph Reed, USN; Ginny Ortiz, Peace Corps; Harold Miller, Jr., DoD; Deborah & Panakkal David, Foreign Service

**Deceased:** Babs Clare

**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, Maria Miani, Richard W. Kalb, Fran DeLoatche, Finnian Lalime, John Bian, Lina Czupas, Mary Masserini

**Lonely or in crisis:** If you need to talk to someone, please call 1-800-273-TALK (8255) Option 1; text 838255; chat live at [Veterans Crisis Line](#).



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**New Adult Ed Class:** *Catholic Mysticism* begins on Sunday, **8 January** at 1030 in the Conference Room. The first session is "The Cloud of Unknowing."

**Knights of Columbus "Socks for the Homeless"** project ends on **8 January**. Filled bags can be dropped off at Fr. Fred's office. The Knights will distribute the bags to an Arlington homeless shelter on the afternoon of 8 January. Thank you to all who participated in this project.

**Epiphany Concert:** Soprano Emily Casey, cantor for the Saturday Vigil Mass, will perform a concert of sacred music on **January 8th, 2017** at 5pm in Memorial Chapel. The concert will feature works by Bach, Mozart, Gounod, and more, with Dr. Nicholas Catravas on the piano. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to expose friends and family to a beautiful concert of classical music performed by one of DC's most promising emerging operatic sopranos.

What is the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints? What do they believe? What do they do? Come and find out on Thursday, **12 January 2017** when two Mormon missionaries will speak to the World Religions class and answer your questions. Class will meet in the Memorial Chapel conference room from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Everyone is invited.