

Archdiocese of Washington
Department of Special Needs Ministries
Veterans Sunday 2017

Bulletin Announcement:

This year, Veterans Day is on Saturday, so our parish will honor our Veterans on Sunday, November 5th. On "Veterans' Sunday" we join Veterans and active duty military and their families in our parish at Mass. We will honor their faithful service to our country, which reflects Christ's own service and sacrifice for our Church. This effort is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington's Department of Special Needs Ministries. More resources are at adw.org/specialneeds/veterans.

Possible Additional Note in Bulletin:

Veterans' Pew Cards will be available in the _____ (location), with thanks to the Archdiocese of Washington's Department of Special Needs Ministries.
(Pew Cards can be obtained by contacting the Department; see contact information below).

Prayer for Veterans

Help us, dear God, to see your face in every Veteran we encounter. Guide us as we imagine new ways to support Veterans and their families. Bring healing and peace to all who have been wounded physically, mentally and spiritually during wartime. Help us bring your saving grace to heal the invisible wounds of war. We ask this in Jesus' holy name. Amen.

Veterans Sunday Mass Petition:

For Veterans and their families, may they continue to serve our country in civilian life, and be welcomed and supported in our parishes, let us pray to the Lord.

R: Lord, hear our prayer.

More resources...

National Catholic Partnership on Disability (NCPD) veterans' resources page, at <http://www.ncpd.org/webinars/veterans>

Archdiocese for the Military Services USA
www.milarch.org

Georgetown Academy for Veterans
<http://www.georgetown.edu/content/1242664268456.html>

Dog Tag Bakery in NW DC
www.dogtagbakery.org

Joining Forces, <http://www.joiningforces.gov>

John Sippola, et. al., *Welcome Them Home Help Them Heal: Pastoral care and ministry with service members returning from war*, Whole Person Associations, Inc., Duluth, MN, 2009, <http://www.welcomethemhomebook.com>

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