



For us Catholics, the new Liturgical Year commences with the first Sunday of Advent. In this new liturgical year, the Church not only wishes to indicate the beginning of a period, but the beginning of a renewed commitment to the faith by all those who follow Christ, the Lord. This time of prayer and path of penance that is so powerful, rich and intense, endeavors to give us a renewed impetus to truly welcome the message of the One who was incarnated for us. In fact, the entire Liturgy of the Advent season, will spur us to an awakening in our Christian life and will put us in a 'vigilant' disposition, to wait for Our Lord Jesus who is coming:

'Awaken! Remember that God comes! Not yesterday, not tomorrow, but today, now! The one true God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob", is not a God who is there in Heaven, unconcerned with us and our history, but he is the-God-who-comes.'

The Season of Advent is therefore a season of vigilant waiting, that prepares us to welcome the mystery of the Word Incarnate, who will give the 'Light' to the womb of the Virgin Mary, but essentially this time prepares us not only to welcome this great event but to incarnate it in our lives. We could say that the true light enters the world through the immaculate womb of Mary but it does not stay there. On the contrary, this light flows out into our dark, obscure, sinful lives to illuminate them, so that we can become the light that illuminates the world. For this reason, let us live this time of waiting not only to celebrate a historical memory but to repeat this memory in our lives and in the service of others. To wait for the Lord who comes, means to wait and to watch so that the Word of Love enters inside us and focuses us every day of our lives.

Source: <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2018-12-02>

Our Lady of Peace

Fort George G. Meade Catholic Community



First Sunday of Advent
2 December 2018

Welcome to Our Lady of Peace Military Catholic Community!

We invite all newcomers to register yourself and/or your family with us. Please contact the Catholic Community Coordinator for a registration form or go to www.olopfortmeade.org. Thank you for being a part of our great community!

We pray for all our deployed military and civilians especially from Fort Meade; for their families and their loved ones.

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Call for confessions, counseling, sacraments, and other pastoral matters.

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Mr. Alex Gogue

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Email for appointments on marriage preparation, baptism, and to register yourself and/or your family.

MASS SCHEDULE **EFFECTIVE JUNE 10, 2018**

Sunday Mass

9:00 am, -Argonne Hills Chapel Center
7100 Rockenbach Road
Fort Meade, MD 20755

Weekday Mass (Starting October 30, 2018)

Every Tuesday, 12 noon, Main Post Chapel

For other Mass schedules and locations outside Fort Meade, visit: www.archbalt.org

Confessions: Half an hour prior to scheduled Mass in the Chapel that the Mass is located. and after Mass.

Readings of the Week 12/2/2018-12/9/2018	
SUN	JER 33:14-16 1 THES 3:12—4:2 LK 21:25-28, 34-36
MON	IS 2:1-5 MT 8:5-11
TUE	IS 11:1-10 LK 10:21-24
WED	IS 25:6-10A MT 15:29-37
THU	IS 26:1-6 MT 7:21, 24-27
FRI	IS 29:17-24 MT 9:27-31
SAT	GN 3:9-15, 20 EPH 1:3-6, 11-12 LK 1:26-38
SUN	BAR 5:1-9 PHIL 1:4-6, 8-11 LK 3:1-6

“God’s Plan for Giving”
“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” I Pt. 4:10

**Attendance and collection
25 November 2018**

Attendance	Offering
159	\$1,212.74

Our ministries and programs are supported by your weekly offerings.

Please make checks payable to CTOF.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

***May God bless you!
Father George***

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE (2018)			
Date	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Servers
2 December	Barajas, Bova, Brousseau	Youth Ministry	Andrise, Weeks,Weeks, Weeks
9 December	Corralejo, Laus, Laus	Butarbutar, Colantuono	Coe, Coe, Dailey, Dailey

Catholic Community Events

- December 11: Penance Service, 5 pm, Main Post Chapel.
- December 15: Prepare and serve lunch at Sarah’s House, 9:30 am, meet at Sarah’s House parking lot
- December 24: Christmas Midnight Mass, 12:00 midnight, Main Post Chapel
- December 25: Christmas Day Mass, 11:00 am, Main Post Chapel

MINISTRY INFORMATION

Sarah’s House: We prepare and serve lunch every 3rd Saturday of the month. Meet us at Sarah’s House at 9:30 am if you want to help (subject to change without notice). POC: Mrs. Violeta Burgos violeta.burgos@comcast.net

Pilgrim Divine Mercy Statue: POC: Community Coordinator

Catholic Women of the Chapel (CWOC): Open to all women in the community 18 years and older; active duty, retiree, and civilian. Join us for prayers, faith study, fellowship, and service/outreach. We meet for prayers and faith study every Tuesday at 10 am to 12 pm at the Main Post Chapel. We also meet for outreach and fellowship at our evening program on the first Monday of every month at 6:30 pm at the Chapel Center.

POINTS OF CONTACT: Mrs. Kristina Pagan kristinaelaus@gmail.com Mrs. Celina Ketz ftmeadecwocsecretary@gmail.com

Music Ministry: We sing at the Sunday 9 am Mass at Chapel Center. Practice is on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm at the Ar-gonne Hills Chapel Center.

Youth Mass: On the first Sunday of the month, the 9:00 am Mass is youth-oriented. Youth are invited to serve as Mass greeters, lectors, ushers, altar servers, music, and gift bearers.

POC: Alex Gogue asgogue@gmail.com; website: www.olpmusic.org

Catholic Men of the Chapel (CMOC): Open to all men of the chapel 18 years old and older-active duty, retiree, and civilian. We will collect your non-perishable donation for Sarah’s House during Mass every 3rd Sunday of the month. We thank you in advance! POC: Joshua Coe joshua.coe11@yahoo.com

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Contact Father George at jerzy.rzasowski.mil@mail.mil, Melissa Weeks at weeksm@live.com or our Religious Education Coordinator, Ms. Sheila Stewart at sheila.m.stewart.civ@mail.mil for more information.

Youth Ministry: We meet the first Tuesday of every month from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the Main Post Chapel. We’ll be building friendships and community, and strengthening our faith and understanding of the Catholic religion with activities, food, and teachings using media and scriptures. POC: Ms. Raquel Madera-O’Connor rmadera.OLP@gmail.com