



**South Post Chapel**  
**Fort Myer, Virginia**

# Christmas 1944

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES

### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday, Dec. 23—

5:00 to 7:00 P. M. . . . . Father Dade

Sunday, Dec. 24—

9:00 to 11:00 A. M. . . . . Father Dade

11:00 to 1:00 P. M. . . . . Holy Cross Father

2:00 to 4:00 P. M. . . . . Holy Cross Father

### SOLEMN MIDNIGHT MASS TO BE HELD IN THE POST GYMNASIUM

Rev. Thomas B. Dade, Celebrant and Preacher

Rev. Mr. Jerome Boyle, Deacon

Rev. Mr. Patrick Fogarty, Subdeacon

Acolytes—T/5 Alphonse J. Bermel and Cpl. Joseph Ander-  
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Thurifer—T/3 John R. McCormack

Master of Ceremonies—Cpl. Roger J. McDermott

Organist and Choir Director—Pfc. Ernest J. Kossow

Christmas music to be played by a brass sextet formed by members of the Metropolitan Police Department Band, Washington, D. C., will begin before Midnight Mass at 11:30 P. M.

Masses on Christmas Day in the Chapel at 8:00 and 11:00 A. M.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23rd

2 to 4 P. M.—CHRISTMAS PARTY . . . . .Gymnasium  
For the Children of the Post

## PROTESTANT SERVICES

4th SUNDAY IN ADVENT . . . . .DECEMBER 24

9:00 A. M. . . . . Sunday School

10:00 A. M. . . . . General Worship  
(6:30 P. M. Service Omitted this Sunday)

CHRISTMAS EVE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24th  
FESTIVAL of the NATIVITY of the LORD JESUS

at

POST CHAPEL

11:15 P. M., MIDNIGHT CHORAL CELEBRATION  
OF HOLY COMMUNION

Music by the North Post Chapel Choir

Director: Annie Laurie Felder

Organist: Betty Bishop

Our sincere thanks to the Choir, Director and Organist, who have graciously agreed to furnish the music for this Christmas Eve Service, Dec. 24th.

10:00 A. M.—CHRISTMAS DAY—  
GENERAL WORSHIP

## GREETINGS

The one bright spot in our world is the fact of God Incarnate in the Person of Jesus Christ, Whose birth we celebrate. The gospel proclaims: "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us". That Eternal Word, Christ Jesus, is the one best hope of our world today. So we give our greetings, A Happy Christmas, confident that true merriment and real happiness can only come through Jesus Christ, Who came from eternal ramparts, was made Man, and revealed God.

He came when things were black; even so now He comes. Especially He comes to the altar in bread and wine blessed there. The altar is the manger where Jesus comes and we kneel in humble adoration before Him.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,

As of old on earth He stood,

He will give to all the faithful,

His own self for heavenly food.

A Merrie Christmas to you, men and women in the service of our country. God bless you all.

WALTER H. BIERCK,  
Chaplain (Capt.) USA.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS  
FROM THE AREA COMMANDER

As Area Commander I wish to express to all members of the garrison and to our guests, my very best wishes for the holiday season. In this crucial period in the life of our Nation we must put our trust in God, and seek by prayer and humility to make ourselves worthy of His many blessings and deserving of a victorious peace when it comes.

KENTON P. COOLEY,  
Colonel, Infantry,  
Commanding

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This troubled world of ours needs the message of the first Christmas when the Herald Angels sang over the Judean hill tops the glad carol of 'peace on earth, goodwill to men.' The spiritual character of Christmas is often forgotten. The Holy Day to countless thousands is only a holiday. May the birthday of the King bring us the joy and peace of Christmas.

Chaplain David R. Wylie