



## *A Message from The Pastor....*

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our nation pauses to honor our fallen who have defended this great nation from 1776 until our present days. I saw this prayer on the internet without the name of an author:

Dear Heavenly Father,

We are grateful for the ultimate price of freedom paid by those fallen. As we remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please hold our servicemen and women in your strong arms. Cover them with your sheltering grace and your presence as they stand in the gap for our protection. We also remember the families of our troops. We ask for your unique blessings to fill their homes and protection of their children. We pray your peace, provision, and strength will fill their lives. May the members of our armed forces be supplied with courage to face each day and may they trust in the Lord's mighty power to accomplish each task. Let our military brothers and sisters feel our love and support. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

May our Memorial Day remembrance not be merely a day off, some hot dogs or a trip down the to the shore. Stop and say a prayer of gratitude. The most perfect way is to attend Mass in our church at 9:00 AM on Monday. This Mass will include special remembrance of the men and women who paid the ultimate price for our freedoms. Nathan Hale's famous quote captures the spirit of the truest of our heroes: "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." May they rest in peace.

God bless America,  
Father Szolack

