

COMMUNION PRAYER FOR OUR DEPLOYED MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES
HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Eternal and Sovereign God,

In the glory of Christ's Mass,
We have received the Body and Blood of Your Son.

Through the grace of our Communion,
Unite the hearts of all of the men and women who serve our nation in the military.

Protect our soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines.
Grant safety to those who defend us in every way,
For those who are deployed or underway for our protection,
unite their hearts to ours this night (day).

Give them a sense of Your presence, and the abiding protection of Your strong arm.
Show them the thanks of a grateful nation.
Encourage them in spreading freedom to lands where it is unknown.
Hear the prayers of those who live in places where Christianity is persecuted.

For those who remain in support of their efforts—their brothers and sisters in arms,
their spouses, their children, their parents, family and friends—
We beg you to encourage them in difficulty and sustain them as they long
for the safe return of their loved ones.

For those who have paid the ultimate cost to defend us,
who have laid down their lives to protect us,
receive their souls in your perfect mercy
and help us to follow their legacy of sacrifice and surrender.

God, who has every strength and who has brought us the Prince of Peace this night (day),
we beg you for the day where there is no more need for war,
where your people are united in Christ Jesus,
and where all the world knows the power and love of the same Christ.

Receive the prayers of Saint Michael the Archangel,
the compassion of the Blessed Mother,
And the courageous intercession of all your saints
for our deployed military and their families,
from now until the end of ages.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.