



## **CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS**

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His Eminence Blasé Cardinal J. Cupich  
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Your Eminence:

It is with great pleasure and honor that I congratulate you on your recent appointment as Cardinal. As National Commander of the Catholic War Veterans of the United States of America, Inc., I speak on behalf of my nationwide members. I also speak on behalf of the seminarians at the Pontifical College Josephinum where you served as rector for many years, and where there is a Catholic War Veterans post, Fr. Joseph Jessing, Post 1884. As you may already know our motto is "For God, Country and Home."

We are sworn to defend the beliefs of our Catholic faith as well as the Constitution and laws of the United States. Our primary objective is helping all veterans regardless of race, color or national origin. In many posts throughout the United States we work alongside members of the Knights of Columbus in serving our parish and community needs.

I would like to take this time to offer you membership as clergy into our organization, just like Cardinal Timothy Dolan was offered membership. Enclosed please find our brochure and application form. Membership for you is free. We were elated when Cardinal Dolan accepted and hope that you will do the same.

As the New Year approaches, we pray for civility and the brotherly love that Jesus wants from all of us. May you be blessed and guided by the Holy Spirit. May you find strength and support in the knowledge we are out there doing God's will.

Asking the blessings of Your Eminence, I am,

Armindia C. Crawford  
National Commander

Enclosure