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Grand Knight's Message

The Grand Knight, in lieu of his message, requested inclusion of Larry Grayson's reflection. Due to a lack of space, it was not included.

Chaplain's Reflection

The story is told of a Cherokee chief who told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. "The battle is between two wolves," he said. "One is evil. It is anger, envy, regret, greed, and guilt." "The other wolf is good. It is peace, love, hope, compassion, and faith." The grandson thought about it for a while and asked, "Grandfather, which wolf wins?" The old Cherokee chief replied, "The one you feed."

One of the truly good pieces of wisdom that I have learned is that whatever we do to others we invariably do to ourselves. If I am cruel to you, the odds are good that I will be cruel to myself. If I judge you, I will judge myself. If I am unkind to you, I will be unkind to myself. If I am angry at you, I'm disturbing my peace. If I think hateful thoughts about you, I'm spoiling my own joy. If I envy you, I'm not enjoying or recognizing the good I do have.

Jesus said to love your neighbor as yourself because He knew that whatever we do to our neighbor we will do to ourselves! That is why life and society works when we all care about each other and breaks down when we do not.

The gospel narratives illustrate the depth of God's unconditional love through the life of Jesus. We see Jesus 'hanging out' with broken people! Jesus loved people who didn't love themselves. One day we might learn to accept God's unconditional love for us. One day we might even be able to accept ourselves just as we are. And one day we might even learn to accept others as they are. Acceptance, forgiveness and compassion – gifts for all seasons. This is our compassionate God. The word "compassion" comes from two Latin words which together mean "suffer with." Jesus is the one who

came to suffer with us. Jesus continues to identify with us and suffer with us. Our pains and tragedies and losses are not "at a distance."

How does this work? Again it is a mystery of love. God is the "eternal now." Our life is lived with a past, a present, and a future. But for God, all of time is present time. So while the crucifixion of Christ is indeed past time, and Christ suffers that event no more, Christ does continue to identify in the present with our crucifixions and betrayals and pains.

How does this presence look practically? It looks like us! Where is God when the child or parent or spouse dies? Right next to the bereaved person in the persons of all those who have come to comfort! There is God, in the person of a family member or friend, holding a bereaved person while he or she cries.

We humans seem so reluctant to get the message that we are created "in the image and likeness of God." Yet, when we reach out to each other in love, we reveal the face of God! We become the way God gets into the world.

The problem with so much of the mystery of suffering is that we struggle with the mystery of life. We keep looking for God somewhere else. We keep looking for God to work some miracle coming out of the clouds, and we forget that God wants to work a greater miracle of love by coming out of us! The God who stays with us is our reminder and model of how to stay with each other. Love can bring a person back from the depths of depression, back from the graves of our fears, back from despair to hope.

Yes, God is separate from us with powers that transcend us, but God in his Son is present with us, giving us the same power that Jesus had, namely the power to love. Where is God? As close as the closest person who loves you genuinely and unconditionally.

Rev. Mr. Alan Jeeves, Associate Chaplain

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COUNCIL

November Birthday Greetings

The Council extends best wishes for a Happy Birthday to our Brother Knights who are celebrating a birthday in November!

> Kevin G. Steyer - 7 Michael F. Boursiquet - 10 Jerry Hadley - 12 Joseph F. Zuppo - 14 Jamie R. Bernardo - 18 David Bloodgood - 23 David B. Strobel - 26 Lodoumgoto Bekingalar -30

CHURCH

Christmas Tree & Wreath Sales

Christmas is fast approaching, and so it's not too early to start planning. As in the past two years, our Council will be selling Christmas Trees and Wreaths at St. Jude's on Friday, Dec. 4, Saturday, Dec. 5, and Sunday, Dec. 6. Frank Carroll will have a sign-up sheet available at a future meeting.

COMMUNITY

Shepherd's Table

Let's give a hand to the good people at the Shepherd's Table soup kitchen on **Wednesday**, **November 18, 2015**, beginning at 5:00 PM. The time spent will be most rewarding. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Call William Trimble, PGK, 240-603-2574, for more information.

To get to Shepherd's Table, drive south on Georgia Avenue toward DC until you see Silver Spring Avenue on the left. Turn right and proceed into Progress Place. The actual address is 8210 Colonial Lane #A, Silver Spring, MD 20910

CULTURE OF LIFE

Prayer Warriors

Every month, on the last Saturday, Fr. Tom Morrow leads the Prayer Warriors as they recite the Holy Rosary oustide of Planned Parenthood in Silver Spring. The address is 1400 Spring Street, Silver Spring, MD 20910. The November date is Saturday, November 28, at 9:00 am.

COUNCIL

Degree Exemplification Schedule

During the 2015-2016 Fraternal year, St. Joseph Manyanet Council's First Degree Team will be hosting several degrees:

- Thursday, December 10 at 8:00pm
- Thursday, February 11 at 8pm
- Thursday, April 14, at 8:00pm
- Thursday, June 9, at 8:00pm

Candidates should report by no later than 7:30pm.

St. Joseph Manyanet Counsel will also be hosting a 2nd Degree Exemplification on Thursday, March 24 at 8pm. The full degree calendar is available on the Maryland State Council's website: http://www.kofc-md.org.

CHURCH

Ushers Needed at St. Catherine's

St. Catherine's is in need of volunteers to help out as Ushers at the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses. Contact Roger Szabo, or any one of our Brothers from St. Catherine's to volunteer to help.

COMMUNITY

Olive Wood Sales at St. Catherine and St. Jude

The Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation (HCEF) will be selling items made from olive wood after the Masses at St. Catherine's on Sunday, November 15, and at St. Jude's on Sunday, December 13. Help with the sales is requested, especially for the November 15 sale at St. Catherine's. Contact Frank Carroll for additional information or to volunteer.

COMMUNITY Christmas Simulcast – Help Needed

As was done last year, HCEF is once again hosting a Christmas Simulcast. It will include prayers, speakers and choirs from both St. Jude in Rockville and from Bethlehem in the Holy Land.

Your help is requested with resetting the Thaddeus room after the simulcast so it is ready for the next event on Sunday morning. If you can help out, please contact Frank Carroll.

RCIA Help at St.Jude's

Fr. Ken Gill, one of the Parochial Vicars at St. Jude's, and also one of our Chaplains, is asking all the organizations within and associated with St. Jude to help out with St. Jude's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). No, we would not be teaching classes, but we would help out with refreshments afterwards.

COUNCIL

Monthly Attendance Prize

Each month at our business meeting, a Brother's name is drawn, and if he is present, he wins a \$50 gift card! At the October business meeting, Stefan Monica's name was drawn. He would have been the lucky winner in November, if he had been at the meeting.

Thanksgiving Turkey Distribution

Each year our Council, assisted by the Boy Scouts at St. Jude's purchases and distributes Turkey Dinners to the needy in the parishes we serve. Please contact Brother Mike Holder, PGK to volunteer to help out.

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

As in years past, we will once again be hosting a *Keep Christ in Christmas* poster contest at St. Jude School. School children are invited to make posters with the theme of "Keep Christ in Christmas". Winners from St. Jude will advance to the District and State contests. Frank Carroll and Bill Newbrough will coordinate this effort. Anyone who wishes to help out, please contact Frank or Bill.

COUNCIL

Annual Memorial Mass

Each year in November, our Council pauses to remember our Brothers who have passed on to God's Kingdom. This year, the Memorial Mass will take place on Tuesday, November 2410 at 8pm. Mass will take place in the St. Jude Convent Chapel, with a reception to follow in Holy Family Hall (located in the St. Jude School basement).

COUNCIL

Annual Council Christmas Party

St. Joseph Manyanet Council is looking to have its annual Christmas Dinner this year at St. Jude's, in Madigan Hall (formerly known as the Blue Room). The date has yet to be determined. Brothers and their families are welcome. Please watch the Communique and/or your email for further details.

CHURCH

Fellowship Sundays at St. Jude's

At St. Jude's, very fourth Sunday is Fellowship Sunday. Following the masses on Sunday (7am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, and the 6pm Spanish mass), the parish holds a fellowship gathering. The parish organizations and ministries are encouraged to set up a table and provide information for the Parishoners. Any Brothers who can assist, please stop by. Next Fellowship Sunday is November 22. Fellowship gatherings take place in the Thaddeus Room.

Sullivan Brothers Assembly Events

Sullivan Brothers Assembly # 2861, K of C Fourth Degree, is hosting two events this month to allow us to get to know them. They are a fairly new 4th Degree Assembly, and they meet in Derwood, MD.

Get to Know Us Wine and Cheese – Monday, November 9, beginning at 7:30pm. RSVP to S.K. Peter Zaudtke by November 2, 2015.

Get to Know Us Potluck Dinner – Thursday, November 19, 2015, beginning at 7:00pm. RSVP to S.K. Peter Zaudtke by November 12, 2015.

Both events take place at Cuddy Hall (home of Montgomery Council), 17001 Overhill Rd., Derwood, MD. See the announcements (included in this month's Communique) for more information, including the email address and phone number for S.K. Peter Zaudtke.

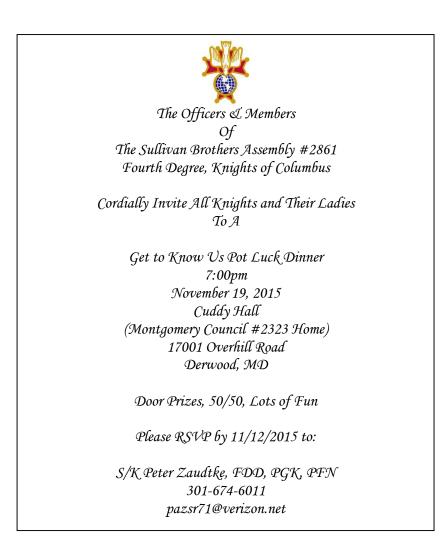


A Blessed Thanksgiving to All!



The Officers & Members Of The Sullivan Brothers Assembly #2861 Cordially Invite You To A Get to Know Us Wine & Cheese 7.30 pm November 9, 2015 Cuddy Hall 17001 Overhill Road, Derwood, MD

Please RSVP by `11/02/2015 to: S/K Peter Zaudtke, FDD,PGK,PFN 301-674-6011 pazsr71@verizon.net



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Sullivan Bros		Veterans	Memorial		
	Wine & Cheese		Day	Mass 8p		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Olive Wood			Shepherd's	Sullivan Bros		
Sale @ St. C's			Table 5p	Potluck		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Fellowship		Memorial		Thanksgiving		
Sunday @ SJ		Mass		Day		
29	30	31				
1 st Sunday of						
Advent						