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## ***Grand Knight's Message***

The Grand Knight recommends that you read the Reflections article for May, written by Larry Grayson. Due to the length of the article, the editor has opted to include it only by reference. You may find the article in its entirety at the MD State Council website: [http://www.kofc-md.org/docs1617/md\\_newsletter](http://www.kofc-md.org/docs1617/md_newsletter). The article is on page 15 of the newsletter.

## ***Chaplain's Reflection***

### **Life and Loss**

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Oklahoma City was severely damaged in the bombing of the Murrah Federal Building in 1995. One hundred sixty-eight (168) innocent people died. In its garden now stands a tall, white-robed Jesus. His back is turned to the bombing site, and his shoulder is slumped in grief. With tears streaming down his cheeks, Jesus faces a brick wall with 168 empty spaces. Inscribed at the base of the statue are two short words: "Jesus weeps."

This statue, and its inscription, were inspired the reaction of Jesus to the death of his dear friend Lazarus. Jesus is filled with grief, and he burst into tears. John 11:37 says, very simply, "Jesus wept." It's the shortest verse in the Bible, but it's also one of the most beautiful, because in it, Jesus' humanity and compassion so clearly shine forth.

As surely as love and life go together, death and separation seem to go together as well. But, ultimately, God does not want our death, but our life. God wants us to have the fullness of life. That's why God sets slaves free, and raises up the dead. That's also why we call God Love. Love always gives back. But, a lack of love only hastens the death of our spirit and ultimately our body.

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## ***Chaplain, continued from previous column***

When coping with the initial shock of goodbye, whether it's a loved one moving away or the death of a spouse, one of the first things we need is to find God. Stop the world, step back from the pain, and get away from all the noise. We need to get away from our cares and fears. We need to be alone with God. At a time of loss, we can feel so abandoned by God. When in reality, God is so close, that we can't see him!

People do not get over losing a loved one, rather we adapt to the loss. We need to take time to grieve at our own pace, and on our own schedule. There is no time limit on grief. Don't pretend to feel better if you do not. Don't let anyone force you to speed up your grief.

But, while grief is a process, recovery is a decision. We have to make a decision to go on. We do not honor the memory of a deceased loved one by living the rest of our lives in grief, but we honor them by living fully in their memory. We need to believe that *we* are worth living for. Our life has not ended even though a relationship has. We are not less whole because one who is very dear to us has died.

In life, we are what we and God make of ourselves, that is, our achievements through the grace of God. We are not what someone else thinks of us. The late actress, Helen Hayes, a graduate of Sacred Heart Academy in Washington DC, wrote the following words of wisdom, which I think are profound:

My mother drew a distinction between achievement and success. She said that achievement is the knowledge that you have studied and worked hard and done the best that is in you. Success is being praised by others, and that's nice, but not as important or satisfying. Always aim for achievement and forget about success.

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## COUNCIL

### Birthday Greetings

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

Earl M. Irving – 5                      Phillip J. Stasko - 17  
Edgardo P. DeGuia – 6                Albert J. Battista - 18  
Charles D. Anderson – 9            Louis Chaporis - 19  
Samuel P. Tom, Jr. – 9                Ferdinand Arellano - 20  
Andrew J. Jaime – 10                Rev. Tim O'Sullivan - 21  
Alfio Mazzaglia – 10                Theodore A. Zotto - 23  
Peter M. Falk – 11                    Walter J. Trohan, Jr. - 25  
Ronald J. Finn – 17                    Danilo Orino - 26  
Patrick D. Manders - 30

The editor requests your help to keep the sick and the birthday lists current. If you know of any additions to or deletions from the birthday or sick lists, please let the Editor know via email: [paul.lindekugel@verizon.net](mailto:paul.lindekugel@verizon.net)

## Chaplain – from Page 1

In life, we are meant to be the best selves we can be. And if we're lucky, we might just find another self to spend life with. For some that's another person. For all of us the real love of our life must be the Lord of life.

Rev. Mr. Alan Jeeves  
Associate Chaplain, Council 5567

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### COMMUNITY

#### *Shepherd's Table*

Let's give a hand to the good people at the Shepherd's Table soup kitchen on Wednesday, \_\_\_\_\_, 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.

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#### *Council Welcomes Two Chaplains*

St. Joseph Manyanet Council extends a warm welcome to Fr. Francisco Aguirre, the new pastor at St. Catherine Labouré Parish, as well as one of our Council chaplains.

A warm welcome is also extended to our new Chaplain from St. Jude, Fr. Bob Kosty.

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#### *Welcome Aboard!*

Council 5567 is happy to welcome aboard its newest member, Brother Reimel Alex Lopez Bueno. Alex completed his Initiation Degree on April 6 at our own Council. Welcome! We hope to see you at many meetings and events.

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### CHURCH

#### *This Man Is You*

This popular program continues at St. Jude. It takes place every Saturday morning from 6:45am and runs until 8:15am. The program includes breakfast, an inspirational talk, and small breakout groups for discussion of the day's topic. The meetings take

place in the Thaddeus Room at St. Jude's.

#### *From the District Deputy*

The editor did not receive a submission from the District Deputy this month.

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### MEMBERSHIP

#### *Degree Exemplification Schedule*

The Initiation Degree Team at St. Joseph Manyanet Council will be hosting one more Initiation Degree Exemplification this Fraternal Year. The date will be Thursday, June 8, 2017.

Exemplifications take place in Room 11, the Council Chamber beginning at 8pm. Candidates should report to the lobby area outside of Room 11 by no later than 7:30pm. Contact F.S. Roger Szabo if you know of any candidates, so that proper arrangements can be made.

In addition, the Council will be hosting a Formation (2nd) Degree on Thursday, May 25, 2017.

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### FAMILY

#### *Annual Council Baseball Outing*

Calling all Orioles fans and anyone else who wants to come along! This year's Baseball Outing will take place on Friday, July 14, 2017, when the Baltimore Orioles host the 2016 World Series Champion Chicago Cubs. Tickets are \$55 each, and include box seats, round-trip motorcoach to/from the stadium, a box lunch, and peanuts. The bus departs St. Catherine Labouré Church parking lot at 5pm.

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### CHURCH

#### *Fellowship Sundays at St. Jude*

Your assistance is requested on Sunday, May 24 for the monthly Fellowship Sunday at St. Jude's. Brother Lou Kratz will need people to assist with food prep, setup and cleanup. Please stop by and help out. Mass times are 8:30, 10:30, and 12:30pm.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 TMIY
					MD State Convention	Convention
7 MD State Convention	8	9	10	11 Social Meeting 8pm	12	13 TMIY
14	15	16	17 Shepherd's Table 5pm	18	19	20 TMIY
21	22	23	24	25 Business Meeting 8pm	26	27 TMIY
28 Fellowship Sunday @ SJ	29 Memorial Day	30	31			



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