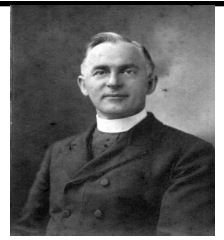




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## Chaplain's Reflection

### Why Does the Resurrection Matter

As we journey through life during the coronavirus, we need hope. So this is a good time to reflect on the implications of our Christian belief that Jesus really was bodily raised from the dead. At the empty tomb on Easter morning, the disciples are scrambling around trying to figure out what happened. Recall, they did not anticipate the Resurrection. They weren't going around after His crucifixion saying, well that was very unpleasant, but in a couple of days Jesus will be back again. No, they were completely confused by both the empty tomb and then by their encounters with the Risen Jesus in his glorified body.

A whole new world was opening up in front of them and they weren't ready for it. A new creation has begun. Somehow, God seems to have conquered death through the person of Jesus. As they reflect on that over the weeks and months that follow, two things become apparent.

First, the ancient scriptures they had known their entire lives had been fulfilled, but in a completely unexpected way. They started to re-read those familiar texts with new eyes. For instance, they came to understand that the resurrected Jesus really was the fulfillment of God's promise to David that He would raise up a descendant who would sit on his throne. God's promise of a new temple was fulfilled through His church. This would be the new way God was going to be present with his people.

Second, they realized that Jesus was the fulfillment of the promise made by God during the Exodus when He led his people out of slavery in Egypt. Through Jesus, now God was doing the same thing for the entire world in a whole new way which would last forever. Those who belong to Jesus were folded within His life, a new Exodus people who were now released from slavery.

St. Paul affirmed in his writings that the ultimate slavery is sin and death. Death from which God had raised Jesus and sin which was the cause of that death. As repeatedly observed by the prophets in the Hebrew Scriptures, when people worship

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## Grand Knight's Station "Faith and Family Foremost"



The month of September is dedicated to **Our Lady of Sorrows** whose memorial the Church celebrates on September 15. The name was given to our Blessed Mother because of the intense suffering and grief she experienced during the passion and death of Jesus.

As part of the "Leave No Neighbor Behind" Program being led by the Maryland State Council Knights of Columbus, our Council will serve as a hub in Montgomery County for the **monthly collection for the Little Sisters of the Poor**. Councils in our area, along with Father Rosensteel Council, can collect food, supplies and donations over the next few weeks and bring them to our Council on Saturday, September 19. Right now, collection times are 10 a.m. to noon. Hopefully we'll have a great turnout and will need a few pickup trucks and cars to deliver the items to the Sisters. Let's work hard to put our faith into action and help those who continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those within our parishes and our communities. Please reach out to me if you are available that weekend and can help sort/deliver.

Please remember many parts of the Council continue to be closed and we're not open for business as usual. Unfortunately, we shouldn't be seeing you at the Council unless you're helping with or attending the Friday Rosary and Dinner, working on an event or Council project, or attending a meeting. We can't have people driving through or meeting in the lot when we're not open. We love having you around but let's do it properly – no loitering or using the dumpsters on days we're not open.

The annual **Car Raffle** for the top prize of a 2021 Mustang is starting to take shape. Did you know 60 cents from each ticket stays at our Council and the other 40 cents goes to fund Maryland State Council programs. For now, I'll have tickets available for pickup at our Friday Night dinners while we come up with other ways to get tickets to you. Tickets will be drawn at Father Rosensteel Council at the March 2021 Founder's Day dinner being held here at the request of Maryland State Deputy Vince Grauso. So let's buy tickets!

Unfortunately, the coronavirus has caused us to **postpone this month's annual Council Picnic and the Past Grand Knights' Testimonial**. Hopefully we can arrange both events in spring 2021. Stay safe and remember those less fortunate in your prayers.

Paul

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**Chaplain's Reflection**

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that which is not God, they diminish, distort or destroy their humanity and the very image of God in which they were created. Sin and death go hand in hand.

That is why St. Paul concluded that if the Messiah hasn't been raised from the dead our faith is futile and we are still in our sins. Without the physical Resurrection of Christ, our sins would not have been dealt with. But since Jesus has been raised from the dead, He really is Israel's Messiah just as He'd always hinted in his many references to the Son of Man. Jesus is now Lord of all and ruling at the right hand of the Father over a new creation, a new fulfillment of Scripture and a new Exodus.

When the Messiah comes again, He will be king over all the world, not just over Israel. In the meantime, the Resurrection of Jesus means a new political implication as well. St. Paul, in his letter to the Romans, rightly observes that death is the ultimate weapon of earthly rulers who rule by fear.

But the Resurrection proves that the Living God has a weapon which goes beyond death. Everything in the present world is contingent, that is, it has a beginning and an end. But the Resurrection of Jesus means that a new world has begun. God's holy people are those who belong to Him and share His risen life in the power of the Holy Spirit. They constitute a new people who are to bear witness, by who they are, by what they do and by what they say, to the fact that Jesus the Messiah is Lord of the world.

Deacon Alan Jeeves

## Annual Car Raffle



***Remember in your prayers:***

**Sick:**

**Deceased**

Audrey Carey, mother of Kevin Carey  
Rose-Marie Chierici, sister of Pierre Cassagnol

Continued prayers for Fr. Calis and all of our clergy, and for our Healthcare Providers and all those affected by Covid-19

*In case of illness or death of a member,  
please contact Financial Secretary Kevin Carey.*

Get your tickets NOW. **60 cents of every dollar collected goes to OUR Council!** So BUY them a plenty and BUY them often. \$1 per ticket.

When you pick up your Friday Family Night Dinner, ask for 10 or more tickets. Take them home, fill them out and return them the next Friday Night Dinner with a check or cash.

You may also mail a check for any amount and the Council will fill out the tickets for you. Please give use your name, address and phone number for the ticket stub. Make the check payable to Father Rosensteel Council and mark Car Raffle on the note line.

Send money and info to:

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## The Best of Rosensteel

**Knight of the Month** - He's the son of a Council member and became a Knight in October 2002. He's a tireless worker who can be seen all around the Council. He has put in a tremendous amount of time with the Knights Room renovation. He's a member of the Council softball team, a former member of our Clubhouse Association, co-hosts the Council Super Bowl party, was part of the team that built the fire pit and is now president of the Building Association. He's also great with a chain saw. Ask him for help and if he's available he'll be there. Of course, we're talking about Dave Donnelly, our Father Rosensteel Council Knight of the Month!

**Family of the Month** - This truly worthy Family of the Month is a fixture at our Council. They can be seen volunteering at events throughout the year. He's been a member of our Council since March 1987. Most recently, he was an officer of our Clubhouse Association and third base coach of the Council softball team. He jumps in wherever he's needed. She's a member of a kitchen crew and a bartender at the Super Bowl party. They attend most events and are regulars at our Friday Night dinners. Father Rosensteel Council is a better place because of them – Bonnie and Mike Donnelly, our Family of the Month.

The Knights Room outdoor seating is now open for evening Happy Hour from 4 - 7 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays! (Open until 9 p.m. on Fridays for Family Night dinners.)

Come out, enjoy a beverage and sit under our newly installed tent with outdoor seating. Drinks will be served at the bar service window in the Emerald Room. Please observe social distancing. You may take your drinks to the outside tent and enjoy the evening.

### Maryknights Food Drive and Shelter Collections

Drive-in/Drop-off on Friday September 11, from 4 to 7 p.m. In addition to dinner, you can pick up a membership packet and drop ff your dues, donations for Comfort Cases and non-perishable food and shelter items.

You may also do so on Saturday, September 12, from 10 a.m. until noon (but no dinner ☺).

### Rosensteel Bowling League

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### Fraternal Insurance

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. Exciting, huh? It's the one month each year that the life insurance industry coordinates a campaign aimed at educating folks about the importance of life insurance and helping them get the coverage they need. I don't want to bore you with lots of statistics, but a recent survey from LIMRA (Life Insurance Marketing Research Association) found that only 59% of Americans own life insurance and about half of those are underinsured. So that means that 70% of the population either has no life insurance or has too little life insurance.

I don't know about you, but I don't want to buy life insurance. I want to buy what life insurance provides: no change in lifestyle for the survivors, in the house where they want to be. It'll pay for a daughter's wedding, a child's college education and much more. What does life insurance provide? Peace of mind, security, freedom from anxiety, a safeguard from the unknown.

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Dear Maryknights,

Hope everyone survived August! I am certainly looking forward to cooler weather come the fall. Speaking of fall, the president's letter was mailed in August with the request for payment of annual dues included in the letter. If you did not receive the letter, please let us know and one will be resent to you.

The Maryknight Board held its summer meeting on July 29. At that meeting, the findings of the focus group tasked with compiling the results of the survey from earlier this summer were discussed and the Board will announce its decisions and recommendations at our September meeting. Since COVID-19 is stubbornly hanging on, the first meeting of our 2020-2021 year will take place via ZOOM on Monday, September 14, at 7 p.m. Please look for an invitation with instructions the week prior and please make every attempt to join. Safety First!

Have you visited the Maryknights page on Facebook? Check it out by searching @maryknightskoc. Remember to select "following" on the page for posting of new Maryknights content to your Facebook page.

This month I'm presenting for your consideration a reflection on the Holy Spirit and prayer. It's inspired by the Gospel of Luke, 3:21-22, which is as follows: *While Jesus was engaged in prayer after also having been baptized, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form like a dove.* In his book, *Daily Meditations with the Holy Spirit*, Reverend Jude Winkler, OFM Conv., notes that while Jesus prays occasionally in the Gospels of Matthew and Mark, he prays very often in Luke's Gospel. Jesus prays to discern the Father's will and to have the courage to embrace it.

Dates to remember: Friday, September 11, Drive-In & Drop-Off during Friday night dinner & again Saturday, September 12, from 10 a.m. to noon. Food donations accepted by all! Friday, September 18, BAKE SALE. Sunday, September 27, Memorial Mass will be held at the noon Mass, St. John the Evangelist Church on Georgia Ave. (special MK seating).

When we allow the Spirit to guide our prayers, we also know what God wants of us and we are able to say yes to his call. Next time you pray, try spending some quiet time with God and ask, "What do you want of me, Lord?" and ask God to send his Spirit into your heart to inform you.

God bless and stay safe and well.

Peggy Seleski

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The Maryknights will be holding a bake sale extraordinaire on September 18 during the Friday Night Dinner at the Council. Yummy desserts generously donated by Nothing Bundt Cakes!



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		1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
6.	Labor Day	8.	9.	Maryknight Board Meeting	Maryknight Drive In & Drop Off	Maryknight Drive In & Drop Off
13.	Maryknight General Meeting	15.	16.	17.	Maryknight Bake Sale	19.
20.	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.
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