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“I have a lot of hope for staying connected from the other side. How is way beyond my visioning skills.

I’m realizing that there is a certain loneliness that I am experiencing these days. The strong consolations that I experienced 2 years ago are not accompanying this dying. I suspect that God answered my prayer to share in the dark night of the soul in solidarity with Chiara – **My constant prayer is that in embracing Jesus Forsaken I will be present to all with light, hope and love.**

It has been a privileged life that I have lived full of adventure and special moments of intimacy with a lot of beautiful people who have let me into their souls.

My strongest consolation is peace.

My strongest feeling at the moment is gratitude. It’s the gratitude of looking back at (Holy Angels) and recognizing that God used me well in a setting that I felt initially overwhelmed. It’s the gratitude of my Shepherd (Archbishop Burke) taking time yesterday to see how I was doing. And, it the gratitude of Frs. Rosy, Pat and Bishop John Gaydos arranging our class reunion at a time that I could best enjoy it.

It is the color of a sunset enjoyed from the beach.

It sounds of a well done version of “O Holy Night” in St. Joachim Church. It smells of hickory firewood and tastes of a Ted Drewe’s strawberry concrete.”