

THE MONTH OF THE QUINCENTENNIAL



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ROSARY APPRECIATION MONTH



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Sultane Marjam Rattas was born in Jerusalem on 4 October 1843. Her parents, devout Arabs, were well-known for their devotion to Mary.

Confirmed on 18 July 1852, Sultane felt inspired by the Holy Ghost to dedicate her life to Our Lord. Her father objected - the idea of living a single life in religion was "incomprehensible to the Arab mind".

After being severely burned in a fire at work, he prayed to Mary, promising "to allow all my children to enter religion if she wishes". He soon recovered and gave Sultane permission to join the Sisters of St. Joseph - if she promised not to leave the Holy Land.

As Sister Mary Alphonsus, she was assigned to teach in the girls' school in Jerusalem. There she set up a picture of Our Lady of the Rosary, with a lamp burning in front of it. It would play a significant role in her life.

On 6 January 1874, while praying the Rosary, Sr. Alphonsus "perceived a bright light and the Queen of the Holy Rosary standing before her, with outstretched arms and a large Rosary in her hands". The vision lasted four hours.

On May 1st, while praying the Rosary at the Milk-Grotto in Jerusalem, she again saw Mary. This happened three times. On May 31st, Mary appeared to her again in the schoolroom.

On 6 January 1875, while Sr. Alphonsus was attending Mass in the Grotto, Mary appeared to her, "accompanied by countless virgins dressed like herself". In letters of light, the nun read: "Sisters of the Rosary - The Congregation of the Rosary". A voice said: "I want a Congregation of the Rosary founded."

There followed many such visions and much futile pleading with her spiritual director. Finally, her next spiritual director, Don Tan-nûs, was convinced and agreed to be the Founder of her new Order. He drew up the Rules for the Rosary Congregation. Mother Mary Alphonsus was the first Foundress of an Arab Congregation.

One day, as Mother Alphonsus was praying before the picture of Our Lady of the Rosary, it began to drip moisture. A week later it happened again. A visiting priest, seeking a natural explanation, inspected the back of the picture and the wall behind it. There was no trace of dampness, other than on the front of the picture.

It happened again in the presence of a Franciscan priest. He wiped the picture with a pad of wadding and gave it to Mother Alphonsus' sister Regina, who was very sick. She was cured immediately.

Mother Alphonsus went to Jerusalem, to visit Sister Mary of the Crucified, a stigmatic renowned for her gift of prophecy. When asked what she thought of the proposed Foundation, the saintly woman said: "Start the work at once. It is God's will. It will succeed!"

Mother Mary Alphonsus died on the Feast of the Annunciation, 25 March 1927, while praying the Rosary with her two sisters, Hanna and Regina. Her last words were: "Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen."

(The picture on the front page and the data for this article are from **A HANDMAID OF THE HOLY ROSARY**, by Benedict Stolz, OSB, as found in the files of Nora Clavet.)

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

If six of these Birthday Knights decide to form an October Rosary Circle, they won't have to look very far for a Chaplain:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
1	John De Jauregui
5	Mike Burbach
6	Fr. Cavana Wallace
6	Ralph Pina
10	Frank Riedel
25	Steve Melnick
27	Dan Craig

ROSARIES FOR PEACE CRUSADE

The 9th Annual Rosaries for Peace Crusade will be held on Sunday, October 18th, at 7:00 PM. The location will be the same as last year: University of San Diego Stadium, Alcalá Park.

Jim Sheil (DD103) says attendance has been averaging 3000-4000 per year: evidence that many Catholics are still willing to "give up" a Sunday evening to publicly manifest their great devotion to Mary, the Mother of God and our Mother.

The service this year will include:

Crowning a statue of the Queen of Peace,
Candlelight Rosary procession,
Liturgy of the Word,
Talk by Bishop Brom,
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Jim needs volunteers to:

Set up staging and chairs,
Usher,
Direct traffic.

Information:

Jim Sheil, 435-1781
Peggy Housgard, 277-0695
Pat Steiger, 466-9522

PROPOSITION 161

We have been asked by our Bishop, our State Deputy, and our Chapter President to do all we can during October to defeat Proposition 161, the so-called Euthanasia Proposition.

In order to defeat it, we must know its purpose and its moral and legal flaws. Therefore, to enlighten us, a special panel of theological, legal, medical, and health care experts will convene in OMC parish hall on Friday, October 2nd, at 7:30 PM.

Everyone is invited to the meeting, so bring your wife, neighbor, and a fellow Knight!

PGK Raymond P. Flynn
Parish Coordinator

QUINCENTENNIAL CUISINE

1492



1992

SATURDAY OCTOBER 10TH
SOCIAL: 6:30 DINNER: 7:30

OMC PARISH HALL
3131 GOVERNOR DRIVE
(NEAR REGENTS ROAD)

TICKETS: \$ 11.00 EACH
CALL BOB WARNER: 453-4006
DEADLINE: OCTOBER 6TH

DANCE TO LIVE MUSIC BY
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Knights of Columbus

Tootsie Roll



Help Mentally Retarded

LOOK FAMILIAR?

Looks like a candy wrapper, you say. Yes, it is that - and much more. It has practically become the California KofC October logo.

Every year about this time, we get out our tin cups and our yaller aprons. You know the ones: they urge people to **HELP RETARDED CHILDREN**.

And then we go one step further than that old saw that tells us it is better to give than to receive. Because we do both - we give **and** we receive. We give candy, and we receive money.

You know what we do with the money. We give it to organizations dedicated to helping the 300,000 plus Mentally Retarded children in California.

This year, the MR program will be conducted on Saturday and Sunday, October 17th and 18th. MR Program Chairman Bob Warner has the tin cups and the yaller aprons all lined up. He also has 25 cases of Tootsie Rolls ready for us to give away to shoppers at the selected stores, as follows:

IF YOUR NAME BEGINS WITH	YOU WILL WORK AT	TEAM CAPTAIN
A THRU G	VONS GOV. & GENESEE	RAY F FLYNN 270-0623
H THRU N	VONS 7788 REGENTS RD.	JIM HAMMOND 273-4258
P THRU W	BIG BEAR 8510 GENESEE	HERB WHYTE 453-6707



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OUR MOTHER OF CONFIDENCE

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SAN DIEGO, CA 92122



WHO ARE WE?

"THE MEN'S CLUB OF THE PARISH"

That's what Msgr. O'Donoghue called us when we began in 1988.

We are your next-door neighbor, your fellow parishioners, joined together for a common purpose. When Founder Fr. Michael J. McGivney drew up the Charter for the Knights of Columbus, he placed special emphasis on:

Rendering mutual aid and assistance to its sick, disabled, and needy members and their families; promoting and conducting educational, charitable, religious, and social welfare.

WHAT DO WE DO?

Monthly Pancake Breakfast, to help support seminarians;
Annual Tootsie Roll Drive, to help mentally retarded children;
Usher at funeral Masses;
Sponsor social functions, such as St. Patrick's Day and Columbus Day dinner-dances;
Provide services, as necessary, to support pastor and parish.

HOW OFTEN DO WE MEET?

Twice a month: once for a business meeting and once for family fun.

WHO QUALIFIES FOR K OF C?

Any Catholic gentleman who has achieved his 18th birthday.

HOW DO I JOIN OR GET MORE INFO?

1. Ask any officer listed herein.
2. Drop your name and phone number in the box provided.

OUR OFFICERS

Grand Knight: Roger Smith, 587-2665
Deputy GK: Bob Warner, 453-4006
Chancellor: Chuck Haas, 452-3197
Recorder: Bernie Clavet, 272-9425
Financ. Sec.: Tom Walters, 270-0307
Treasurer: Earl Gray, 566-8131
Lecturer: George Uberti, 453-5559
Advocate: Bill Wilimek, 273-8247
Warden: Ray F Flynn, 270-0623
Inside Guard: Herb Whyte, 453-6707
Outside Guard: Ralph Pina, 273-0759
3 Yr. Trustee: Ray P Flynn, 273-1000
2 Yr. Trustee: Ed Kuenster, 453-4400
1 Yr. Trustee: Jim Hammond, 273-4258

OUR DIRECTORS

Church: George Uberti, 453-5559
Community: Jim Hammond, 273-4258
Family: Ed Kuenster, 453-4400
Membership: John Menard, 292-7497
Social: Ray P Flynn, 273-1000
Youth: Jim Amenta, 278-1965

OUR CHAPLAIN

Fr. Joseph Masar

NAME _____

PHONE _____

☐ I would like to join the Knights.

☐ I would like more info.

All Knights are also requested to work with PGK Ray Flynn, to collect after the Mass you attend that weekend. Supplies will be on hand in the back of the church. All collecting will be done on the sidewalk at the bottom of the ramp, at Msgr's request.

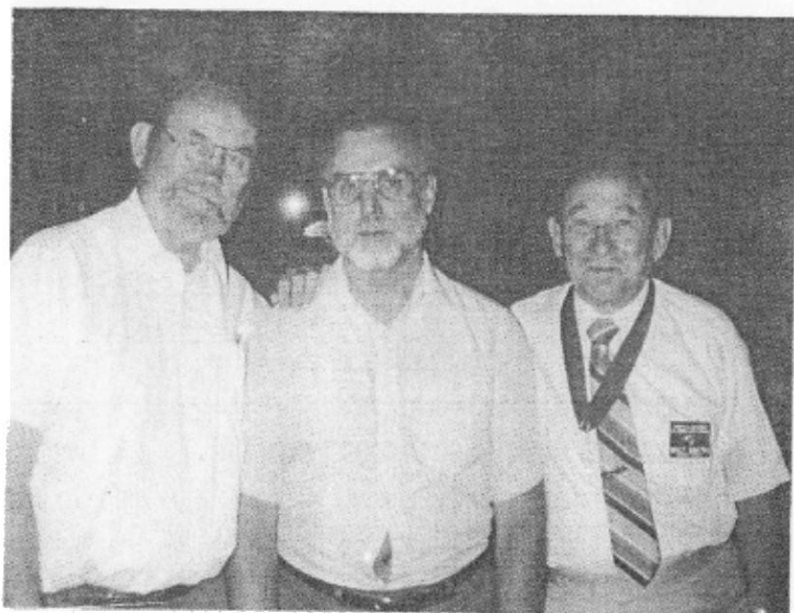
Bob says all he needs now is a good supply of volunteers. Judging from the ever-increasing turnout of our Knights - and some of their family members - during the three years we have been in the program, Bob sees no problem.

Another opportunity to demonstrate
THE SPIRIT OF 9776!

ADVANCING BY DEGREES

On August 27th, Richard C. Lechtenberg received the Second Degree in his advance toward full Knighthood.

The ceremony was hosted by Council St. Pius X 3487. Dick was escorted by PGK Ray Flynn and Bernie C.



RAY
FLYNN

DICK
LECHTENBERG

DD MILT
SMITH

OCTOBER CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
1	<u>OMC 9776 BUSINESS MEETING, 7:30 PM</u>
4	<u>OMC 9776 PANCAKE BREAKFAST, 8-10:30 AM</u> <u>YOU'RE HELPING 2 SEMINARIANS!</u>
4	<u>3RD DEGREE, St. V de P 5012, 1:00 PM</u> Info: Pat Connors, 436-2180
6	<u>1ST DEGREE, St. Michael 9590, 7:00 PM</u> Info: Gene Carteron, 448-0505
10	<u>QUINCENTENNIAL CUISINE, OMC 9776</u> <u>ONLY ONCE IN OUR LIFETIME!</u>
10	<u>COLUMBUS DAY PARADE - THE BIG ONE!</u> Flagbearers now being hired Call John Moore, 278-5392
12	<u>QUINCENTENNIAL DAY CELEBRATION</u> Info: Sunny Ramirez, 426-4004
14	<u>1ST DEGREE, Fallbrook 7069, 7:00 PM</u> Info: Leo Kowalski, 728-6322
15	<u>OMC 9776 SOCIAL EVENING, 7:30 PM</u> No telling what may happen!
16-18	<u>TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE FOR MR CHILDREN</u>
16	<u>SAN DIEGO CHAPTER MEETING, 8:00 PM</u> Regina Coeli 4953 Info: John Schuttler, 741-3101
16	<u>1ST DEGREE, Good Shepherd 9076, 7:00 PM</u> Info: Gerry de la Paz, 566-0849
18	<u>9TH ANNUAL ROSARIES FOR PEACE CRUSADE</u>
28	<u>1ST DEGREE, San Luis Rey 3162, 6:00 PM</u> Info: John O'Brien, 433-3587

MEMORARE - EVERY MONTH

In October, we commemorate Mary, our Blessed Mother, under the following titles:

- 7 Our Lady of the Rosary
- 11 Maternity of our Blessed Mother
- 16 Purity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE EVERY SUNDAY

We are required to have a membership drive at least once a year. But we decided it would be better to have one every Sunday.

At the instigation - and perseverance - of Membership Director John Menard, we bought two blue blazers. Then we put together a small pamphlet, titled **WHO ARE WE?**

Every Sunday, after every Mass, two attending Knights will don the blue blazers, with the KofC logo prominently displayed over the breast pocket. They will stand in the vestibule and hand a copy of the pamphlet to every male who even appears to be at least 18 years old.

MODEL KNIGHTS OR KNIGHT MODELS?



HERB
WHYTE

JOHN
MENARD

George Uberti: Who are you going to vote for in the presidential election?

Bill Kearney: Well, some of my friends are Republicans and some are Democrats, and I go along with my friends.

COLUMBUS LACKED A 20TH CENTURY CONSCIENCE!

A recent KPBS TV program was devoted to various local artists and purported scholars debunking Columbus and his 1492 voyage. They seemed to take great offense that the 500th anniversary of this voyage is being observed in Italy, Spain, and throughout the Western Hemisphere.

They found little positive in either Columbus, the man, or in his voyages opening this hemisphere to European settlement. Terms such as "genocide", "culture of death" and "holocaust" were freely used to describe Columbus' work. His crew was credited with the first documented rape in the New World, and it was strongly suggested that Columbus was the first to employ bacteriological warfare by giving the local Indians blankets deliberately infected with smallpox.

Columbus even has been attacked for his involvement with slavery, though that unhappy institution was prevalent everywhere in his day.

All in all, these detractors seemed to rate Columbus on a par with Hitler and Stalin as one of history's archvillains. This would seem to suggest that those of us trying to observe this quincentenary celebration of Columbus' arrival are, at best, terribly misguided for celebrating such a personification of evil.

One hundred years ago was the last time Americans took a hard look at this Italian navigator. It was enough that something important had happened in 1492.

The revisionists seem determined to attack this 15th century man for not having a 20th century conscience. I would suggest they "lighten up" and take a more objective look at his considerable contributions. The way things are going in this country, a little bit of celebrating couldn't hurt and might even help the national psyche.

(From an article in The San Diego Union-Tribune, 9/7/92, by Al Reese, Chairman of the San Diego County Christopher Columbus Quincentenary Commission)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE INSPIRED BY COLUMBUS?

"I pledge allegiance to my Flag
and the Republic for which it stands--
one nation indivisible--
with liberty and justice for all."

These are the original words of the Pledge of Allegiance. Written by Francis Bellamy in 1892, it was intended as a one-time recitation to commemorate Columbus Day in the public schools. It became an annual Columbus Day tradition, then a daily classroom ritual.

In 1923, "my Flag" was replaced by "the Flag of the United States of America". In 1954, a bill signed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower added "under God" after "one nation".

From a **READER'S DIGEST** article, Sept. '92.

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Saturday, September 19, 1992

Parish panel urges renaming K of C

CHICAGO — An advisory group at a Roman Catholic parish is urging the Knights of Columbus to change its name on grounds that its namesake explorer has come to stand for European oppression of minorities.

HOW ABOUT KNAVES OF COLUMBUS?

PRAY FOR US!

The Rev. Edward Everett Hale (1822-1909) was once Chaplain of the U.S. Senate. Someone asked him: "What do you do, Sir, pray for the members of the U.S. Senate?"

Rev. Hale smiled and said: "No, I look at the members of the Senate - and I pray for the United States!"

(From Don Valentine's **SPIRIT OF AMERICA**)

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BUSINESS MEETING:
1ST THURSDAY, 7:30 PM
SOCIAL EVENING:
3RD THURSDAY, 7:30 PM

HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY TO
THE FAMILY OF



"I BELIEVE THAT OUR LORD
IS ABOUT TO REVEAL
ITS LOCATION."