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FIRST POSTCARD FROM AMERICA?

# REQUIESCAT IN PACE

SOPHIE PINA



The wife of Outside Guard Ralph Pina died on January 15th, after a long illness.

A member of Our Mother of Confidence Parish, Sophie was a dedicated Catechism teacher. She worked in the food service of the San Diego City School system for 20 years.

Sophie raised two daughters and four sons. She had three sisters, four brothers, and nine grandchildren.

Truly a good Catholic woman!

## COLUMBUS HELPED CREATE, NOT DESTROY, A NEW WORLD

When I was in school, Christopher Columbus was seen as a hero who braved the seas to discover America. Suddenly, Christopher Columbus has become controversial.

The radical National Council of Churches has pronounced Columbus a villain, a man who led the way to "an invasion and colonization with legalized occupation, genocide, economic exploitation, and a deep level of institutional racism and moral decadence."

Strong words about what had been a sacred topic. And wrong words.

To discover what's known about the Great Discoverer, I went to Herman J. Viola, now busy assembling the Smithsonian Museum's exhibit on 1492 and all that followed.

Columbus was, to Viola, like a venture capitalist. He wanted riches by sailing westward to the Indies. "So he sets off, bumps into some unknown lands, meets some unknown people whom he calls 'Indians', and says, 'Don't worry, I'll be right back.'"

Columbus was a genius in his timing, persistence and appreciation of what could come from melding the Old World and the New World. More importantly, Columbus changed the world.

This began in 1493, when Columbus returned to America with some 1500 men on 17 ships and a veritable zoo of animals. He had noticed the absence of horses, cows, sheep, and goats when he first landed here. So, when he came back, he brought big animals, including the horse.

Columbus also noticed foods and plants flourishing here which folks back home never knew, including corn, potatoes, tomatoes and tobacco.

So, instead of a monster, Columbus was a blender and creator.

(From an article by Ken Adelman in The San Diego Union, 13 August 1991)

## VISITING OURS

### DANIEL CRAIG

Dan underwent surgery on January 11th for the removal of a cancerous prostate. He is recuperating at home. No further treatment has been prescribed.

### EILEEN CRAIG

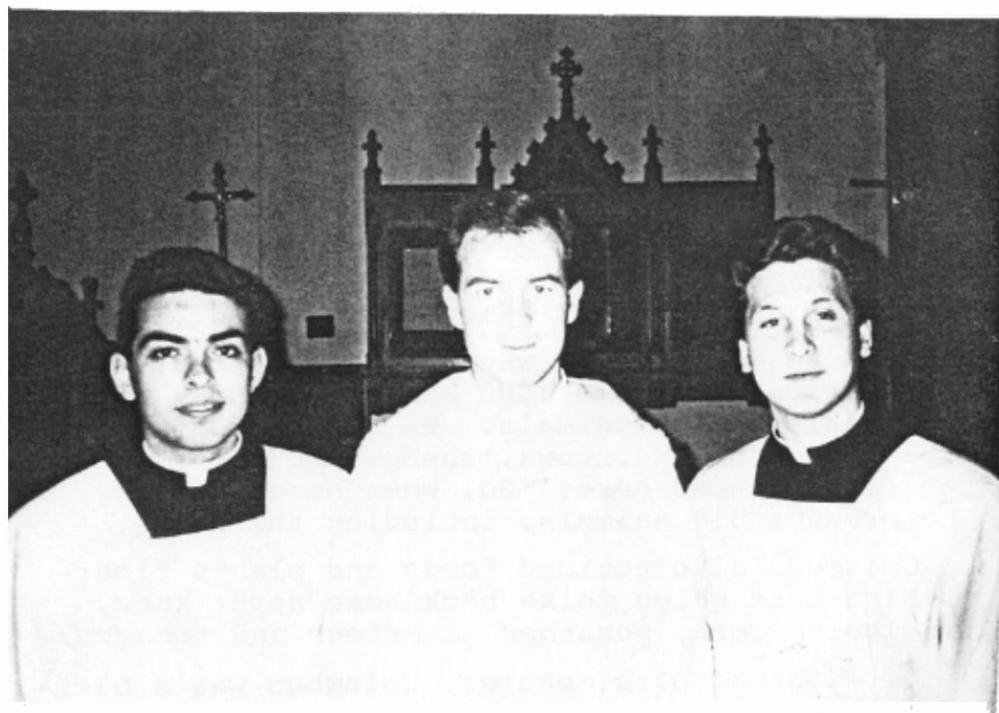
Eileen underwent surgery on January 5th for the removal of a cancerous right breast. She is recuperating at home. No further treatment has been prescribed.

### PGK RAY FLYNN

Ray is undergoing radiation treatments for a cancerous prostate. If all goes well, surgery will not be required.

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### TWO SEMINARIANS AND AN EXSEMINARIAN



EDMONDO  
ZARATE  
SUAREZ

FATHER  
CAVANA  
WALLACE

JAIME  
LEAL  
ANAYA

LOOK  
COMING



WHO'S  
AGAIN!

AND LOOK WHAT HE'S BRINGING!

CORNER BEEF AND CABBAGE



AND A WEE DRAP OR TWO  
OF THE AULD SPIRITS!



DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 13TH

LIBATIONS: 6:30 PM



DINNER: 7:30 PM



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## MEMORARE - EVERY MONTH

In February, we commemorate Mary, Our Blessed Mother, on the following days:

- 2 Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 11 Our Lady of Lourdes

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### 15TH CENTURY IRISH LITANY TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

From the Leabhar Breac  
(Speckled Book of the MacEgans)

|                         |                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Great Mary              | Serene like the moon     |
| Mary, greatest of Marys | Resplendent like the sun |
| Greatest of women       | Destructive of Eve's     |
| Queen of the Angels     | disgrace                 |
| Mistress of the heavens | Regeneration of life     |
| Woman replete with the  | Beauty of women          |
| Grace of the Holy       | Chief of the virgins     |
| Spirit                  | Enclosed fountains       |
| Blessed and most blest  | Closely locked fountain  |
| Mother of Eternal Glory | Mother of God            |
| Mother of the heavenly  | Perpetual virgin         |
| and earthly Church      | Prudent virgin           |
| Mother of love and      | Serene virgin            |
| indulgence              | Chaste virgin            |
| Mother of lights re-    | Temple of the Living God |
| splendent               | Royal throne of the      |
| Honour of the sky       | Eternal King             |
| Sign of tranquility     | Sanctuary of the Holy    |
| Gate of heaven          | Spirit                   |
| Golden casket           | Virgin of the root of    |
| Couch of love and mercy | Jesse                    |
| Temple of the Divinity  | Cedar of Mount Lebanon   |
| Beauty of virgins       | Cypress of Mount Sion    |
| Mistress of the tribes  | Crimson rose of the      |
| Fountain of the par-    | Land of Jacob            |
| terres                  | Blooming like the palm   |
| Cleansing of the sins   | tree                     |
| Washing of the souls    | Fruitful as the olive    |
| Mother of the orphans   | Glorious Son bearer      |
| Breast of the infants   | Light of Nazareth        |
| Solace of the wretched  | Glory of Jerusalem       |
| Star of the sea         | Beauty of the world      |
| Handmaid of God         | Noblest born of the      |
| Mother of Christ        | Christian flock          |
| Resort of the Lord      | Queen of life            |
| Graceful like the dove  | Ladder of heaven         |

Hear the petition of the poor; spurn not the wounds and groans of the miserable. Let our devotion and sighs be carried through thee to the Creator's presence, ourselves being unworthy of hearing, because of our evil deserts and sins. O powerful Mistress of heaven and earth, dissolve our trespasses and our sins; destroy our wickedness and corruptions; raise the fallen, the debilitated, and the fettered; loose the condemned; repair the transgressions of our immoralities and our vices, bestow upon us the blossoms and ornaments of good actions and virtues; appease for us the Judge by thy supplications; allow us not to be carried off from thee among the spoils of our enemies; let not our souls be condemned, but take us forever under thy protection. We further beseech thee, O Holy Mary, through thy supplication, from thy Son, Jesus Christ, the Son of the Living God, that God may defend us from all temptations; obtain for us, from the God of creation, forgiveness and remission of all our sins, that we may obtain the perpetual occupancy of the heavenly kingdom, through eternity, in the presence of the saints and the saintly virgins; which may we deserve, may we occupy, in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

(Submitted by Joseph John Egan, friend of one of our Council's Ladies with the same name.)

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### HIMSELF

In CHRISTENDOM IN DUBLIN, G. K. Chesterton tells us about a "story I heard in Donegal 12 years ago; but I know nothing of the origin of the story. It told how someone had met, in the rocky wastes, a beautiful peasant woman carrying a child, who, on being asked for her name, answered simply:

'I am the Mother of God, and this is Himself, and He is the boy you will all be wanting at the last.'

## MR PROGRAM PAYOFF

Once again, the Knights of OMC 9776 were asked to help raise funds to benefit the 300,000 plus Mentally Retarded Children in California.

And, once again, these men responded in the only way they know - with generous enthusiasm.

So what do they have to show for their all-out efforts? Nothing but two little pieces of paper! But those two little pieces of paper represent over \$1000 that will be put to good use by two outstanding but unsung San Diego County groups, dedicated to helping God's Special People: Noah Homes in Spring Valley and St. Madeleine Sophie's Center in El Cajon.

GK Roger Smith likes to 'point with pride' at the edifying performance of MR Program Director Bob Wagner and his hard-working crews, captained by Ray F Flynn, Jim Hammond, and Herb Whyte.

It was one more typical demonstration of  
**THE SPIRIT OF 9776!**



ROGER  
SMITH

ROBERT  
WARNER

## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>ACTIVITY</u>                                                                                        |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2           | <u>1ST DEGREE</u> , St. Michael 9590, 7:00 PM<br>Info: Gene Carteron, 448-0505                         |
| 4           | <u>OMC 9776 BUSINESS MEETING</u> , 7:30 PM<br>TURN OFF TV, TURN ON KC!                                 |
| 4           | <u>2ND DEGREE</u> , San Lorenzo 9904, 7:00 PM<br>Info: Armando Enriquez, 470-4772                      |
| 7           | <u>OMC 9776 PANCAKE BREAKFAST</u> , 8-10:30 AM<br>JAIME Y EDMONDO ESTAN AGRADECIDO!                    |
| 11          | <u>1ST DEGREE</u> , St. Mark 6979, 7:00 PM<br>Info: Al König, 744-1947                                 |
| 18          | <u>OMC 9776 SOCIABLE SOCIAL</u> , 7:30 PM                                                              |
| 18          | <u>2ND DEGREE</u> , St. Mark 6979, 7:00 PM<br>Info: Al König, 744-1947                                 |
| 19          | <u>SAN DIEGO CHAPTER MEETING</u> , 8:00 PM<br>Fallbrook Council 7069<br>Info: David Sheppard, 723-8507 |

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## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

One of these Knights was told that he was born three days late. So he celebrates his birthday on the 30th.

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME</u>    |
|-------------|----------------|
| 1           | Nick Lore      |
| 16          | Warren Schuler |
| 23          | Pete Mangan    |
| 27          | PGK Ray Flynn  |

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## FIRST POSTCARD FROM AMERICA?

The illustration on the front page shows a woodcut that accompanied a letter sent by Christopher Columbus to King Ferdinand and Queen Isabela in 1493. It is believed to depict La Isabela, first known European colony established in the Americas.

## COLUMBUS AND SANTO DOMINGO

On Christmas Day 1492, the Santa Maria, Columbus' flagship, ran aground off the northern shore of Hispaniola, the mountainous island now shared by Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

Columbus used remnants of the ship to build a crude fort. He left a contingent of men there and returned to Spain.

On his next trip, he brought Franciscan missionaries to help in "spreading the Holy Name and Gospel of Jesus Christ as widely as may be".

Before he died, Columbus said that it was his wish to be buried in the new world he had discovered. The spot which he (and later explorers) chose was at Santo Domingo, later renamed Ciudad Trujillo. His wish was fulfilled, and he was interred in the newly completed Cathedral of Santo Domingo.



COLUMBUS' TOMB IN  
SANTO DOMINGO CATHEDRAL

## THANKS AND PRANKS

If you received your January CONFIDER, thank

Ray F Flynn  
Ray P Flynn  
Tom Walters

While the editor was enjoying a vacation at Mission Bay (Hospital, that is), these three printer's devils took over and finished printing, assembling, and mailing THE CONFIDER.

I only hope your copy did not in the least resemble my copy. The criteria governing the contents of a KofC bulletin preclude reproducing representative extrapolations therefrom herein. Suffice it to say, my copy was somewhat different from what you would expect to see in a KofC bulletin.

Many thanks to Ed Kuenster for furnishing (again) his personalized escort service, running errands for Eleanore, bringing me home, providing moral support, etc.

And thanks for all the restorative prayers. After all, prayer is still the best medicine!

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## THE PRAYER DIET

Want to ADORE God?  
Try the PRAYER DIET.  
Want to tell God you're SORRY?  
Try the PRAYER DIET.  
Want to THANK God?  
Try the PRAYER DIET.  
Want to PETITION God for something?  
Try the PRAYER DIET.  
Why? Because  
Prayer Does It Every Time!

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Andy Kenesie: I just played a country-western song backward.

Joan Kenesie: And what did you get?

Andy: Oh, I didn't get anything. But the guy in the song got his girl back, he got his pickup back, he got his.....

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HAPPY ST. VALENTINE'S DAY  
TO THE FAMILY OF



REMEMBER, MAN,  
THAT THOU ART DUST!