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AND
THE MOTHERS OF ALL OF US



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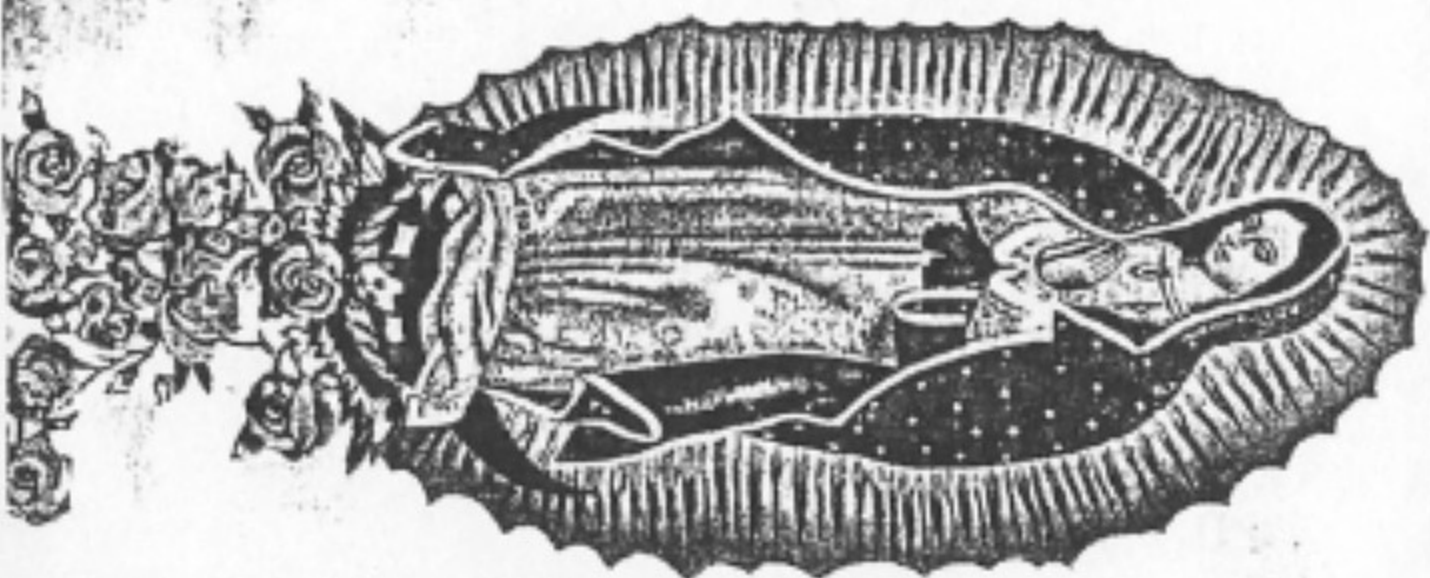
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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO
THE FAMILY OF

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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Fr. Patrick J. Waite

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd will give his life for the sheep." (John 10:11)

Fr. Robert J. Drinan, SJ, posed a most interesting question in the April 1st National Catholic Reporter: "Where do the fallen-away Catholics go?" As they say: "I was brought up Catholic." Or, worse: "I used to be an altar boy, but..."

Fr. Drinan painfully admits that there are millions of lapsed Catholics, and the pain sharpens when "members of one's own family have quietly taken leave of the Church".

Throughout this joyous Easter season, I too have puzzled and groaned about where all the baptized Catholics have gone! Some, like our elder "RCs", have joined the Episcopal or Lutheran Church or another "high church" or main-line Protestant body of believers.

"Millions join no church," says the former U.S. congressman and obedient Jesuit. "They re-enter the Catholic Church for weddings and funerals of friends and relatives."

As in the current box-office sizzler, "the young and the beautiful" use the Church (Church of England) in each of the movie's "Four Weddings and a Funeral". In each occurrence, though witnessed by an Anglican priest or buried by a Church of Scotland priest, there is nary a sign of permanent commitment or of exclusive partnership.

One can hardly expect a British (much less a Hollywood) film to express a faith assertion. Quite the contrary, the faith and priesthood are mocked - subject for uproarious laughter.

And, says the Georgetown law professor, "American secularism and materialism are so pervasive and pernicious that we should perhaps be grateful that the Church has as many loyal adherents as it does."

Team Manager Sam Jaime explained why some of the players are listed at two positions: "We like to let them try the different positions until they find the one they do best."

The Blue Jays play Tee Ball, in the Pee Wee league, at Hickman Field. To get there, take Clairemont Mesa Blvd. to Shawnee Street (just East of 805). Go North one block to Convoy Ct. Go left to next street. Turn right, into the ballpark.

Their schedule for the rest of the season:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>VERSUS</u>
5/3	Tue.	5:00 PM	Twins
5/5	Thu.	5:00 PM	Expos
5/11	Wed.	5:00 PM	Pirates
5/14	Sat.	10:00 AM	Twins
5/18	Wed.	5:00 PM	Orioles
5/21	Sat.	10:00 AM	Expos
5/24	Tue.	5:00 PM	Orioles
6/1	Wed.	5:00 PM	Expos
6/4	Sat.	10:00 AM	Pirates
6/7	Tue.	5:00 PM	Twins
6/11	Sat.	9:00 AM	CLOSING CEREMONIES

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Just imagine all these Knights, dancing around the Maypole - in their tutus!

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
1	Bud Kirch
6	Paul Martin
7	Don Rupp
16	Jim Chang
16	Ed Reiger
19	Joe Vettraino
20	Art Dioli
31	Tom Burke

OUR LITTLE LEAGUE BLUE JAYS

When Lenny Baker, our Council Activities Director, suggested we sponsor a Little League Ball team, he might have meant we should adopt a team. Our Blue Jays are just the right age for that - they range in age from 5 to 7.

UNIFORM NUMBER	NAME	AGE	POSITION
1	Ben Kubek	7	Pitcher
2	Bryana Garcia	6	2nd Base
3	Stephanie Cavins	7	Outfield
4	Anthony Cortez	5	Outfield
5	Christopher Jaime	5	Shortstop
6	Daniel Klein	6	Outfield
7	Theodore Kociencki	7	1st Base
8	Michael Martin	5	Outfield
9	Andrew Barbosa	6	Outfield
10	Curtis Marcikic	6	3rd Base
11	Daniel Mattly	6	2nd Base Shortstop
12	Anthony Baldwin	6	3rd Base Outfield
13	Matt Estes	7	Catcher 3rd Base



Nevertheless, the Good Shepherd (the "true", the "beautiful shepherd") says, in the promise of the prophet Ezekial: "I myself will look after and tend my sheep...I myself will give them rest. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back..." Be they young recruits in the armed services, newly reconciled in "Confession" after years away. Be they young couples away from marriage truly in Christ, or elders and youth away from the sacramental life in Christ because beguiled by simplistic "born again" teachings and moral codes.

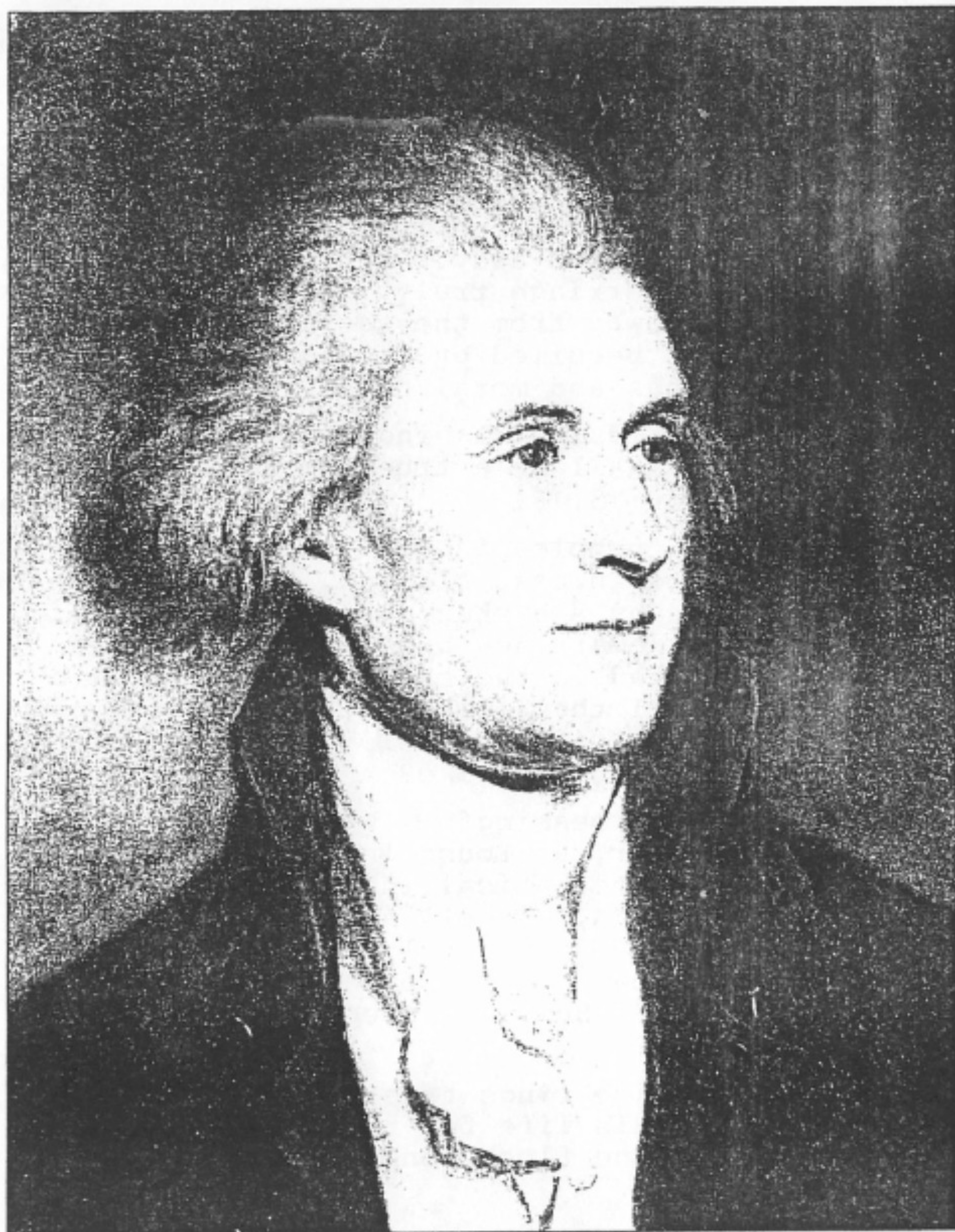
"...The injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal...I shall be a true shepherd to them." (Ez. 34:15,16)

Will former "people of God", supposedly neglected; injured in past slights, real or imagined; sickened by a broken marriage, divorce, and attempted remarriage by a JP or in 'Vegas and never treated in the therapy of a Catholic annulment - will they, with us, come to the joy of "remembering" in a Catholic Faith Community that is clearly Christ-like?

Will they find meaningful, well-planned liturgies and prayer, as found in our parish? More than adequate catechetical instruction, for themselves in RCIA, as well as for their children and high-schoolers? Holy Masses matching the drama and quality of top theater and well-crafted movies? Homilies prepared and preached with quality?

Then the promise rings true: "The Good Shepherd will give His life for the sheep...and there shall be one flock, one Shepherd."

The Old Curmudgeon: "So women want to become priests. Well, I say: Let 'em. Just as soon as I'm allowed to become a nun and enter a convent."



"God, who gave us life, gave us liberty. Can the liberties of a nation be secure when we have removed a conviction that these liberties are a gift of God? Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just and that His justice cannot sleep forever."

Thomas Jefferson

her dominions was finally broken and the expulsion of the unconverted Jews accomplished. Only then could she write Fr. Pérez, "I authorize you to console your friend and revive his confidence with the brightest hopes."

After that, history took the course we know, for the resourceful Fr. Juan had also succeeded in securing the cooperation of the wealthy Pinzon family of Palos, master mariners who outfitted and manned the memorable expedition at the very moment that almost every available vessel was being requisitioned by the Jews, who would be leaving the kingdom by the thousands.

On the first Friday of August by the Julian calendar, after he and his men had confessed their sins, heard Mass, and received Holy Communion, Columbus set sail aboard his flagship, the Santa Maria, with the figure of Christ on the Cross flying from its mast. The *Salve Regina* was sung every evening. He began the log of the voyage with the words, *In Nomine Domini Nostri Jesu Christi*, dedicating it to the Spanish monarchs who "determined to send me, Cristobal Colon, to see...princes and peoples and lands, and to discover their character, and to find means that might serve to convert them to our holy Faith".

When land was sighted at 2:00 AM on Friday, October 12, Columbus immediately ordered the *Te Deum* intoned. On landing, he took possession in the Name of Christ the King for the crown of Castile, with the singing of the *Vexilla Regis*.

To the Spanish monarchs, he would write, "And now ought the King, Queen, Princes, and all their dominions, as well as the whole of Christendom, to give thanks to our Savior, Jesus Christ, who has granted us such a victory and great success. Let processions be ordered, let solemn festivals be celebrated, let the churches be filled with bows and flowers. Let Christ rejoice upon earth, as He does in heaven, to witness the coming salvation of so many people, heretofore given over to perdition.

(To be continued)

COLUMBUS THE CATHOLIC

By Solange Hertz

(Continued)

The prior, Fray Juan Pérez, received Columbus hospitably, and there began between the two a lifelong friendship, on which Divine Providence was pleased to hang the destiny of America. Several good religious eventually helped promote the endeavor, but Fray Juan must have been one of those Columbus referred to as "two friars who were always constant" from the very beginning, when "all, as a body, regarded the project as a burlesque".

The other may have been the Dominican friar, Diego de Deza, tutor to Prince Juan, who later became Archbishop of Seville. He was one of many influential 'conversos' or converted Jews like Luís de Santángel and Gabriel Sanchez, who surrounded Ferdinand and Isabella. Even the famous Las Casas was of Jewish descent, as well as the king himself, on his mother's side.

The good Fray Juan not only offered him asylum but subsequently took charge of the little Diego until his father could remarry and provide him a proper home. Columbus made the first of many long retreats in study and prayer at La Rábida, where the friars never ceased praying for the success of his mission and where he often returned for spiritual renewal. Fray Juan was not only a man of prayer, but very learned, an enthusiastic astronomer, who had much in common with the great navigator.

More important, as Providence would have it, the good friar had been Queen Isabella's confessor, and he continued to wield considerable influence over her. By letter, he reminded her, "You promised to make Spain glorious, and the oath is recorded by the guardian angel of our country. Inspirations have their periods of coming and going, and to be successful, the opportunity must be grasped as soon as it appears. Now is the moment, my daughter and my Queen."

Isabella, a Franciscan Tertiary like Columbus, was sympathetic from the beginning, but could do nothing to help until the Mohammedan power in

STATE CONVENTION

This year's State Convention of the California Knights of Columbus will be held in Santa Clara, on May 19-21. GK Chuck Haas and PGK Roger Smith will represent our Council. (Presumably, they will be chaperoned by their respective wives.) PGK Ray Flynn will attend in his official capacity as DD 101.

Two of the many Resolutions to be read at the Convention were submitted by our Council. Resolution No. 11, honoring Msgr. James P. O'Donoghue, our Charter Chaplain, was initiated by PGK Ray Flynn. At our June 1993 Business Meeting, Ray suggested we submit such a Resolution to the State Resolutions Committee, to be read at the 1994 State Convention.

Resolution No. 22 dedicates all the California Knights and their families to Our Lady of Guadalupe. How our Council came to submit this resolution is explained in two letters which will be published in next month's CONFIDER.

In the Resolutions book prepared and distributed to all Councils by the Resolutions Committee for voting at the State Convention, the Committee recommends adoption of both Resolutions.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mystical Rose,
make intercession for Holy Church,
protect the Sovereign Pontiff, help
all those who invoke thee in their
necessities, and since thou art the ever
Virgin Mary and Mother of the true God,
obtain for us from thy most holy Son the
grace of keeping our faith, of sweet
hope in the midst of the bitterness of
life, of burning charity, and the pre-
cious gift of final perseverance. Amen.

(500 days indulgence)

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With Ecclesiastical Approval



RESOLUTION NO. 11

RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RT. REVEREND MSGR. JAMES P. O'DONOGHUE ON HIS 50TH ANNIVERSARY AS A PRIEST AND HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE ORDER

WHEREAS, The Rt. Rev. Msgr. James P. O'Donoghue was ordained a priest on June 6, 1943 and has served Our Lord for 50 years in the Holy Priesthood; and

WHEREAS, The Rt. Rev. Msgr. James P. O'Donoghue has served the Order steadfastly for many years and was a charter member and first Chaplain of Our Mother of Confidence Council No. 9776.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Knights of Columbus, meeting on the 20th day of May 1994, at its Annual Convention, does hereby recognize the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James P. O'Donoghue for his 50 years of service to Our Holy Mother Church and to the Knights of Columbus, and we hereby extend our heartfelt congratulation and gratitude to The Rt. Rev. Msgr. James P. O'Donoghue.

Submitted by Our Mother of Confidence Council No. 9776

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: ADOPTION

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS

At our April Business Meeting, the following awards were read and/or presented:

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH, MARCH

Paul Martin

FAMILY OF THE MONTH, MARCH

George and Marian Uberti

FIRST DEGREE CERTIFICATE

Dan Beaupre

SECOND DEGREE CERTIFICATE

Dan Beaupre

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Ken Gengler, Food Bank Chairman

Richard Walters, Calligrapher

BLOOD DONORS

Jack Cassidy, Mary Peterson, Karen Scott,
Bob Warner, Ingrid Zimmerman

MAGNIFICAT

Artists paint Mary - our most gracious
and merciful Mother - in glorious
arrays of color.

Poets search their minds and hearts - for
appropriate adjectives to verbally ex-
toll her virtues.

Men have petitioned her help - while
fighting temptation - atoning their
lives, because of her charity.

Maidens have accepted the red rose of
martyrdom, to retain - through her
help - their coveted virtue of chastity.

Magnificent though these acts and deeds
may be, they are but humble echoes of
Mary's immortal Magnificat:

MY SOUL DOTH MAGNIFY THE LORD!

ADVANCING BY DEGREES

DANIEL B. BEAUPRE

JOHN N. JOHNSON



DAN & MARIA
BEAUPRE



BRIDGET & JOHN
JOHNSON

Dan Beaupre and John Johnson advanced to the Third Degree in the Knights of Columbus on April 10th. This great event in the life of every Columbian Knight was hosted by Council St. Mark's 6979. The Guest of Honor was their own Msgr. Thomas Healy.

Dan and John were escorted by GK Chuck Haas, DGK Ron Thiele, and PGK DD 101 Ray Flynn.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

At our May 5th Business Meeting, we will nominate a slate of officers for the 1994-95 Columbian Year. GK Chuck Haas has appointed Dave Lautz Chairman of the Nominating Committee. He will be assisted by Chuck and PGK Roger Smith.

Any Third Degree member in good standing may run for any elective office. Nominations and recommendations may be submitted by other Council members, up to and including the elections.

RESOLUTION NO. 22

RESOLUTION DEDICATING THE CALIFORNIA STATE COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus, inspired by both its namesake and its founder, publicly displays a profound devotion to Mary, our Blessed Mother; and

WHEREAS, When our Blessed Mother appeared to Juan Diego, a devout Aztec Indian convert, on Tepeyac Hill, 9 December 1531, she was dressed in the native garb and spoke his language. Yet she identified herself by her Spanish title, Our Lady of Guadalupe. Her "self-portrait" was imprinted on his cloak and remains there to this day. That poor, ignorant peasant had no way of knowing what the title meant. Nor would he know anything about Spain - it was only 39 years since Christopher Columbus had arrived in the New World. No doubt, Mary was sending a message to the world through this apparition. Perhaps it was her way of telling the world that her Son "smiled" on these new beginnings. After all, it was through the unbounded faith of Columbus, who was deeply devoted to Our Lady of Guadalupe, that the Living Faith was brought to the New World. Four centuries later, Pope Pius XII placed all of North America under the patronage of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California State Council of the Knights of Columbus, meeting on the 20th day of May 1994, at its Annual Convention, does hereby dedicate itself and all its members and their families to Mary, our Blessed Mother, under her title, Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Submitted by Our Mother of Confidence Council No. 9776

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS: ADOPTION



NOAH HOMES COMES TO OMC 9776

Sister Kathryn Jennings brought some of her special friends to our April Sociable Evening. Sr. Kathryn is Executive Director of NOAH HOMES, "an environment which nurture(s) the gifts of persons with developmental disabilities, by assisting them to grow in spirit and competence, develop new skills, accept responsibility, share love and friendship, live in hope".

Sister said NOAH HOMES is "a place of hope and community, a place where weakness is acknowledged and acceptance is learned, where the challenge to be 'all I can be' is taken literally".

The special friends of Sister Kathryn are living proof of the correct approach to enabling the developmentally disabled to become "all I can be". They came up in front of the audience, individually, and proudly described their accomplishments, including the ability to go out into the world and earn a salary, as productive members of the community.

Sister Kathryn: "There are 46 men and women living at NOAH HOMES. But there are literally hundreds who want to live here. Not a day goes by that someone does not ask if there isn't room for just one more, for their child. They are afraid of new trends that compromise the welfare of their vulnerable child. They look to the Church, and her representatives, to respect the precious life that was entrusted to them years ago. Their fidelity has inspired me and all who are a part of this effort."

How can you help? Call or write to Sister Kathryn Jennings:

NOAH HOMES
619-670-7924
12526 Campo Road
Spring Valley CA 92078

MEMORARE - EVERY MONTH

In May, we commemorate our Blessed Mother in the following ways:

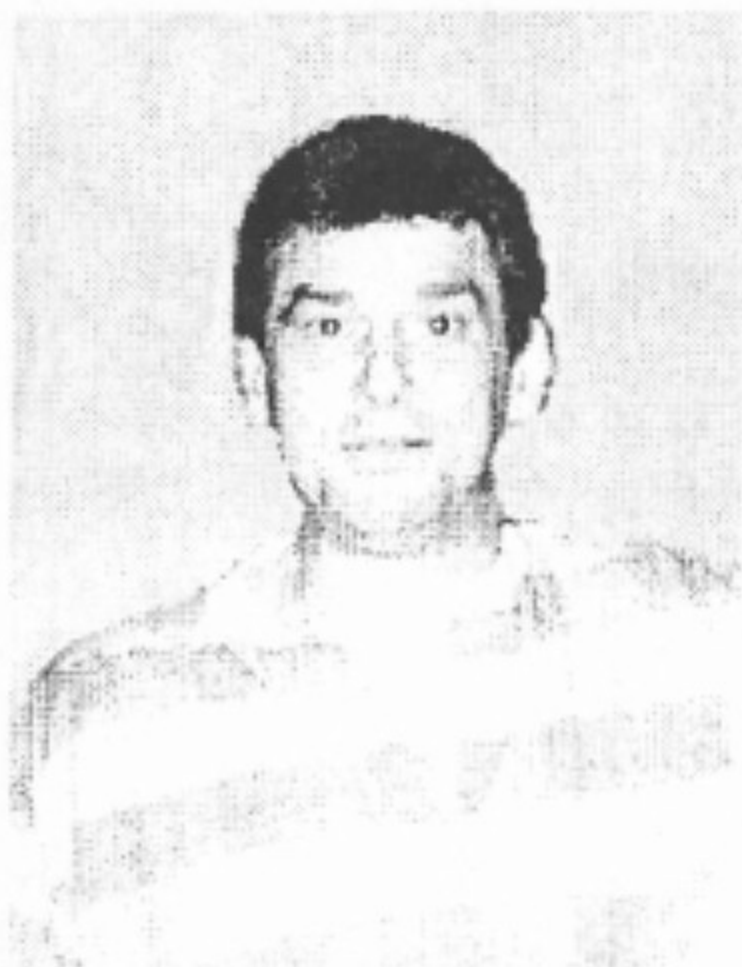
- 8 Mother of Us All
- 13 Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament
- 14 Queen of the Angels
- 24 Mary, Help of Christians
- 31 Mediatrix of All Graces
- 31 Queen of All Saints

MAY CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
1	<u>FIRST COMMUNION BREAKFAST</u> Hosted by OMC 9776 After 9:00 AM Mass
3	<u>1ST DEGREE</u> , St. Michael 9590, 7:00 PM Info: Don Spees, 449-4839
5	<u>OMC 9776 BUSINESS MEETING</u> , 7:30 PM TURN OFF TV - TURN ON KC!
13	<u>SAN DIEGO CHAPTER MEETING</u> , 8:00 PM San Luis Rey 3162 Info: Frank Severino, 720-1309 Prepare for State Convention
15	<u>OMC 9776 PANCAKE BREAKFAST</u> , 8:00-11:00 AM In support of our Council's programs
19	<u>OMC 9776 SOCIABLE EVENING</u> , 7:30 PM Go to Africa with Earl Gray.
19-21	<u>K OF C STATE CONVENTION</u>

WELCOME WAGGIN

MICHAEL J. SHEA



MIKE SHEA



TERESA SHEA

On April 20th, Mike Shea joined the Knights of Columbus and became a member of Council OMC 9776. He received his First Degree at a ceremony conducted at Council Good Shepherd 9076.

Mike was accompanied by Dan Beaupre and Tom Walters from our Council.

Lee Harris, who was our first District Deputy, welcomed Mike into the Order. Lee presided at our first Installation of Officers.

SPRING FLING, TALENT SHOW

At the OMC Parish Spring Fling and Youth Talent Show, held on April 16th, the following OMC 9776 Knights and Ladies showed up to man the bar and help wherever needed:

Dan Beaupre
Mary Flynn
Ray P Flynn
Chuck Haas

Bud Kirch
Mary Thiele
Tom Walters

SUPREME KNIGHT WELCOMES "RETREADS"

Due to circumstances beyond his control, a Knight sometimes finds it necessary to drop out for awhile. But, when he returns, he receives a beautiful Rosary and a welcome-back note from Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant:

Dear Brother Knight,

Welcome back to active membership in the Knights of Columbus.

In celebration of this occasion, I am privileged to present to you this special Knight's Rosary, blessed by our Supreme Chaplain Bishop Thomas V. Daily, which I hope will be both a remembrance and a reminder for you.

It is a remembrance because it marks the happy occasion of your readmission as a member of the K of C. It is a reminder of our Order's fidelity to Mary, our Blessed Mother. Our devotion to Mary is one way that Knights everywhere may express our thanks for her continued guidance in all our fraternal activities.

I encourage you to pray the Rosary often. Your Brother Knights will be praying along with you that our Lord Jesus will bless you and your family as well as our endeavors to uphold our Order's principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism.

Fraternally yours,

Virgil C. Dechant
Supreme Knight

March 30, 1994

Knights of Columbus
Attn: Virgil C. Dechant
Supreme Knight
One Columbus Plaza
New Haven, CT 06507

Dear Supreme Knight,

I want to take a moment to personally thank you for your welcome back card and the wonderful gift of the Rosary.

Your timing could not have been better. I carried my First Communion Rosary while traveling throughout the world for fifty years and recently gave it to our youngest daughter, when she received an academic scholarship at The Pope John Paul Institute in Mexico City. I had been looking for a replacement, but had not found one that I felt was durable enough to carry in my pocket.

Once again, thank you so much.

Sincerely,

David Lautz
D. David Lautz
Council 9776
Our Mother of Confidence

VIRGIL C. DECHANT
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April 5, 1994

Mr. D. David Lautz
6893 Radcliffe Drive
San Diego CA 92122

Dear Brother Lautz:

Just a quick note to let you know that your letter of March 30 was safely received and I am glad that the Rosary I was able to send to you will be put to good use.

I also want to convey my prayerful best wishes to your daughter as she pursues her studies at the Pope John Paul II Institute in Mexico City. As you may know, the Order funds the same institute which is located in Washington, D.C.

With best wishes and regards, I am,

Fraternally,

Virgil C. Dechant
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Supreme Knight