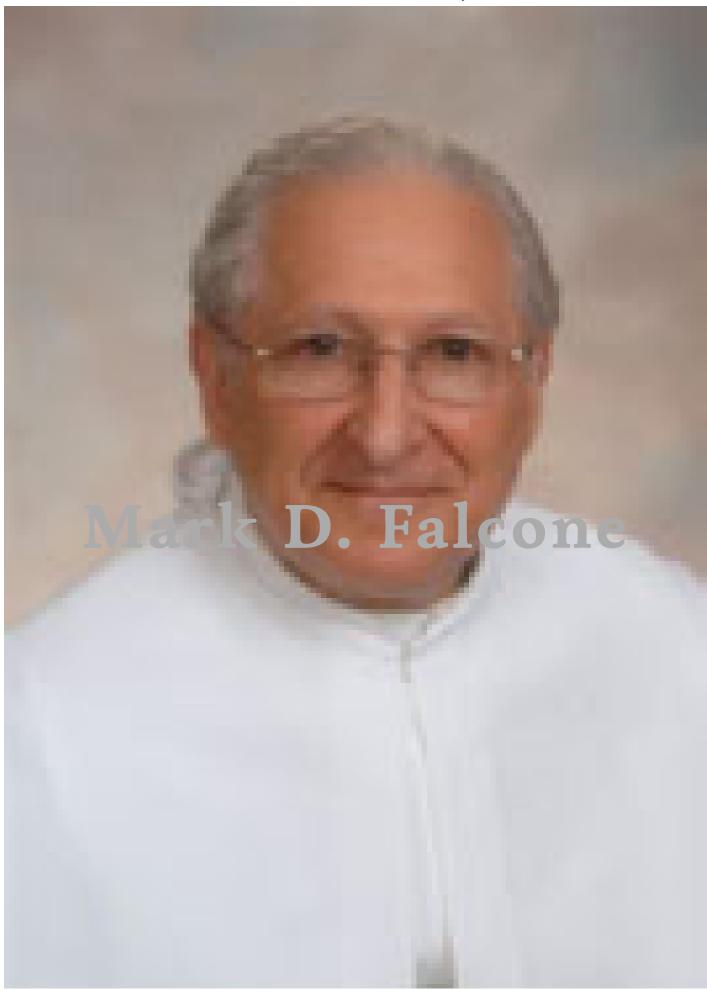


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Poetry

Hurricane

Maddening sea
roughening wind
combined to show
nature's paranoid mind,
killing
uprooting
destroying.

Are you
the same gentle breeze
who,
yesterday
cooled my sweated brow
and softly dried
damp summer clothes?
Who gracefully whispered
into my ear?

Black Tuesday: 9/11/2001

Beautiful bright blue sky reflecting ecstasy.

Silence never heard earth ceased breathing.

Voices screaming in a whisper fear rending the soul.

Arizona still bleeding twins defeated,

Voices agonizing cease breathing.

Victors? Victims?

In fear

we

mourn.

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