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"They may have our buildings - but we still have the faith" - St Athanasius (ca 350)

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TRADITIONIS CUSTODES

All revolutions become increasingly cruel as they crash and burn By Graham Moorhouse

Can we not see here the utter breakdown of the hyper-papalism that makes the pope a mortal god, a divine oracle, who gets to rewrite liturgy, theology, morals, and even the record of history in pursuit of ideology? - Peter Kwasniewski

The illustration on the right is of King Canute the Great showing that he has no control over the incoming tide. The story illustrates the piety and



humility of King Canute who was demonstrating to his sycophantic courtiers that secular power is vain compared to the supreme power of God. It would appear that Pope Francis has yet to learn this simple lesson.

Traditionis Custodes is an evil document, full of destructive venom, nevertheless, it does not cause me as much anxiety as it has seemingly caused some, for several reasons.

First up, there are things over which papal authority clearly has no power - gravity, for one obvious example. And the law of the Universe that states that the fruitful shall inherit the earth is just as non-negotiable as is gravity.

Traditionalists are fruitful in so many ways: marriages, children, priestly vocations and religious vocations. Furthermore, and most importantly, whereas over 90% of the children of traditionalists practise their faith in adolescence and beyond, only 3% of the children of Novus Ordo parents do so.

We cannot overderestimate the medium to long term demographic effect of this. We can illustrate it best perhaps with a sort of parable. Imagine a farmer has two fields, in

one field he has white rabbits, and in the other black rabbits. The white rabbits produce rarely more than one or two offspring, and 97% of these offspring run away seldom to be seen again when they reach adolescence. The black rabbits on the other hand regularly have litters of seven, eight, nine, and less than 5% of their offspring leave the field.

Can the farmer do anything that will stop the inevitable - namely that a decade from now both his fields will be full of black rabbits, and white rabbits will be as rare as hens' teeth? Of course he cannot.

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Another important factor is the love of the Mass among traditionalists compared to that of Novus Ordo Catholics. But before we get into that, we need to understand what the Mass is. The Mass is the bloodless representation of Christ's, the Son of God's, sacrifice on Calvary to save us from hell and to open the gates of heaven for man. When we are at Mass we are standing beneath the Cross with Christ's Blessed Mother, her sisterin-law (Mary of Cleophas), Mary Magdeline and St John, praying in the certain hope of being splashed with the cleansing, redeeming blood of the Lamb. Most Novus Ordo Catholics seem to think that it is merely some sort of jolly buffet with prayers, that it's a good thing to turn up to occasionally.

In passing, isn't it interesting that of the four people with the courage to stand with Christ to the bitter end, three were woman? And I doubt St John would have been there had not the Blessed Virgin Mary instilled some backbone into him, for he had originally fled in terror with the other Apostles.

The love of the old Mass by its adherents is of an entirely different order of magnitude to that of the adherents of the new Mass. This was illustrated by the resent lockdown for the fake pandemic. The bishops and priests of Francis' Church of Accompaniment morphed into the Church of Abandonment overnight, shuttering and barring their churches to the faithful. However, many priests who offered the traditional rite simply ignored the authorities, both secular and ecclesiastical, and carried on offering Mass clandestinely. The times and places of these Masses quickly spread by word of mouth among trads, and by the end of the lockdown, many of these traditional priests had doubled their congregations.

A small rider needs to be inserted here. Not all priests who celebrate the traditional rite continued to offer public Mass during the lockdown, but that is because not all priests who offer the traditional rite are traditionalists. Many for career reasons or whatever keep one foot in the church of Vat2ism. But times such as these do tend to sort the men from the boys.

I know a couple of places that were raided by the corona-stasi, but I have no doubt that any fines were eagerly paid off by the faithful. I attended a house Mass during the lockdown at which there were more than 30 people present. There must have been hundreds of these clandestine traditional Masses up and down the country and I doubt that the police had either the resources or the information to do much about them.

Penal times in Ireland provides another illustration of the love of Catholics for the traditional rite. The British Protestant Authorities used every means possible for over 200 years to stamp out the old Mass by force but failed miserably: fines, bribes, impover-ishment, imprisonment, banishment and even executions achieved nothing. They took away all our churches from us and handed them to Protestant ministers, but it was all to no avail. The Old Mass continued to be offered in private homes, in woods, on wind-swept moors and rocks and in temporary buildings.

One beautiful story from those times illustrates this love for the old Mass of ordinary folk. In a village near Galway in the early days of the Irish famine there lived a widow, we will call her Mary. Mary had grown-up sons but they had left home in search of work in an effort to survive the famine. She had two daughters, but they had boarded the coffin-ships for America in a similar effort. Mary had one 13-year-old boy at home, and he was so weak from hunger he had stopped crying for food.

Mary was sitting on the corner of a settee in her hovel with the lad sleeping on the settee with his head in her lap. She was gently stroking his hair when she became aware that he had passed away. Far to weak to even think about burying him, she slipped out from under him and fell asleep on the floor beside the settee. It was Friday evening, and she slept to the early hours of Sunday morning.

Mary woke to the sound of church bells. These would have been Protestant church bells; it was illegal for Catholics to sound bells for Mass. But Mary knew there was a Mass scheduled in a field about a mile from her hovel. Too weak to walk, she set out on her hands and knees. Several times on route other Irishmen helped her to her feet, and supported her on either side, but after a few hundred yards, she was so weak she asked them to put her down. She would then sit for a while with her back against the hedgerow before continuing her crawling. In this manner, she eventually reached a junction in the lane from where she could see the mass house.

We need to digress here to understand what we mean by "mass house." These were temporary buildings often constructed of straw bales. They had a back, two ends and a crude roof. They were just large enough to shelter the altar, our Blessed Lord and the priest from the elements, the faithful stood in the open. Their advantage was that they could be thrown up by burly young Irishmen in no time and demolished equally speedily, making it difficult for the authorities to find them.

Mary was not alone at the lane junction, several other Irishmen had settled down there to attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. When it came to the elevation, Mary cried out in a loud voice in her native Gaelic, "Eternal praise to the Blessed Virgin's Son!" She then fell back and rendered up her soul to God.

Can anyone seriously imagine the Novus Ordo inspiring that sort of love? And can anyone seriously believe that that sort of fire in the hearts of the faithful can be extinguished by a pope signing a piece of paper in a fit of gratuitous spite?

Another factor is that these rules seeking to banish the traditional Mass are *ultra vires*. What does *ultra vires* mean? It translates to 'beyond the powers'. Let me give a silly example. Let's suppose you walk your children to school every morning. In the course of doing so you use a crossing controlled by a lollypop lady. If the lady indicates that you and your children should not cross the road yet, unless you are rude or moronic, you will remain on the kerb. If she indicates that you should now cross the road, you will cross the road. You acknowledge her authority over that crossing. What, however, if she said, "I don't like the colour of your trousers sir, I'm ordering you to wear a different colour tomorrow," would you take her seriously? Of course not, you would probably just laugh at her stupidity. Such an order is way beyond her powers - it is *ultra vires*.

Similarly, no pope has the authority to abolish the ancient rite of the Church. Where in Scripture, Sacred Tradition or history is there even a hint of such a power. The traditional Mass traces its roots back to the Apostles and beyond. I say "beyond" because I once purchased a book of the rite of the Jewish Passover from a Jewish bookshop, and the similarities in the rite with the traditional Mass were quite remarkable. The traditional rite is the rite of our forefathers, saints and martyrs - it can't be abolished by papal fiat, any more than the pope can abolish the Nicene Creed or the Apostles Creed!

It is important to note that when Pope Benedict XVI stated that every priest had the right to offer the old rite and did not need his bishop's permission, he was not making a judicial ruling, he was simple publicizing a fact. The issue had been extensively studied by a commission of ten or twelve cardinals that had been set up by Pope John Paul II for that express purpose. That Commission unanimously decided that the traditional rite had never been abrogated, and they all but unanimously decided (I believe there was one contrary vote) that a priest did not require his bishop's permission to celebrate the traditional rite. JP2 effectively shelved the finding of his own commission, Benedict merely dusted them off and made them public.

Pope Francis' attempt to abolish the Mass of all time is so outrageous, the faithful do not only have a right to resist it, we have a duty to resist it. This is a classic case of obeying God rather than man.

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Pope Francis cites two reasons for issuing his spiteful edict. The first reason is that when he consulted the bishops, a majority wanted it. I do not believe this is true for one minute. If that was true, how come only one bishop in the UK is enforcing it and the rest appear to be ignoring it? And those enforcing it world wide are merely the usual suspects.

The second reason cited is that traditionalists are divisive. That is highly disingenuous. If you have two factions in the one judicial body, the divisions exists whether one likes it or not, and nothing is served by seeking to apportion blame. Pope Benedict XVI tried as a wise father to build bridges, so that the two factions could live in harmony

and even he hoped be mutually enriching. Pope Francis is exacerbating the divisions by openly siding with the faction with which he is personally most comfortable. Pope Francis is like a tyrant who in response to racial tension among his people between blacks and whites, decides to deal with it by eradicating all the black people.

If anyone is causing divisions it is Pope Francis by seeking to align the Church with the secular, Masonic, globalist agenda, and such nonsense as the global warming cult, the Malthusian cult and the Covidian cult. It is worth noting that no traditionalist has any desire to suppress the Novus Ordo. We would regard that as unkind and are content to leave it to die a natural death. However, the same cannot be said for some factions in the Novus Ordo establishment who are thrilled by Pope Francis's nasty diktat.

It is also worth noting that Christ was hugely divisive, so much so that the leaders of the Jewish church called for His crucifixion.

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It is important to understand that Pope Francis is not an aberration, he is the inevitable end game of the Vatican II revolution. And all revolutions become increasingly cruel as they crash and burn, and *Traditionis Custodes* should be understood in that historical context.

We are living in a very bizarre period of ecclesiastical history, where there are in effect two religions inhabiting the one juridical body. One religion, Catholicism, is served by the church of tradition that comes to us from Christ and the Apostles, this is the religion of our forefathers, saints and martyrs. The other religion, we will call it Vat2ism, is served by the church of endless novelties, and is of very resent origins. The two religions have different rites. Pope Francis is the de-jure head on earth of the first religion but has in effect abdicated his responsibilities to become the de-facto head of the second with which he clearly feels more comfortable.

The attempt to bridge the gap between Catholicism and Vat2ism has been an ongoing, but entirely futile pastime of the post-Conciliar popes. Nevertheless, working out that the two religions are incompatible is simple: just observe that the Rome of Vat2ism embraces every religion under the sun except one, traditional Catholicism. Traditional Catholicism is the only religion Vat2ism rejects out of hand. You can be a predatory sodomite who worships The Giant Thumb and be welcomed in Rome with open arms, but if you are a traditional Catholic, you are about as welcome as a Jew at a Nazi rally! Pachamama, a pagan earth goddess is welcome in St Peters, but not the Mass of our forefathers, saints and martyrs. Indeed, Pope Francis spends an inordinate amount of his time and energy crafting ever more numerous and ingenious insults for the followers of the Catholic religion.

Recently, he has even gone after EWTN. That is encouraging as it suggest that he is getting really desperate. I could understand him going after people like me, but EWTN? - criticism could hardly come more gentle and soft ball.

"Pope Francis letter, severe and divisive as it is, nevertheless has the merit of being clear and logical. It does not attempt to hide the obvious nor attempt the impossible. Not only does Pope Francis recognise the incompatibility of the Old and New Rites, he officially announces it to be so." (Fr Brucciani, Prior SSPX)

We should be grateful to Pope Francis, for with *Traditionis Custodes* he has mercifully laid to rest the lie that, despite all appearances to the contrary, the reforms of Vatican II were in continuity with the timeless Catholic religion. The letter accompanying *Traditions Custodes* made clear, one must choose between the beliefs and practices that Catholics held for two thousand years or the novelties of Vatican II. Clearly, if they were the same religion, it would not be necessary to choose between them?

The Pope Francis is like a father who has abandoned and disinherited his lawful family, and now treats them with gratuitous cruelty, while squandering all his time, resources and affection on an illegitimate child he has fathered with Mistress Modernity. What should the legitimate children of such a father do? Well, we certainly have a duty to continue to love and pray for our errant father, but in the meantime we must use our wits to survive as best we can without his support, and even strive with God's grace to flourish. We need to remain focused on Christ and His Blessed Mother, and pray our rosary daily to remain spiritually sane in the current ecclesia asylum.

I am very far from pessimistic. I believe that Francis has shot himself in the foot this time and this, under God, will work to our advantage. He has done us a favour in many ways by making it clear what many have been saying for decades: the two rites are not compatible, the Novus Ordo is the rite of the new religion of Vat2ism. Ultimately, like my white and black rabbits, there can only be one winner, and in the end, tradition will win, for in a very real sense the Church is tradition. The pipeline of tradition undoubtedly suffered a major rupture at Vatican II, but that breach will eventually be healed. A hundred years from now the classical Roman Rite will still be being offered by priests, while Bergoglio will be little more than a subject of interest to Church historians.

The Society of St Pius X will, of course, benefit enormously from *Traditionis Custodes*. The faithful attending Pius X chapels had already doubled in many places during the lockdown, and will undoubtedly grow even more as a result of *Traditionis Custodes*. World wide, I would be surprised if they did not even pick up a few priests.

Those liberal and modernist bishops who enforce *Traditionis Custodes* cruelly, will inevitably have even fewer vocation than the pitiful number they boast at the moment, so their dioceses over the next decade will enjoy the same fate as my white rabbits. Thank God there are a growing number of good bishops who are appalled by *Traditionis Custodes*, and even as I write are finding ingenious and bold ways to circumvent it. Their diocese will attract seminarians and will grow and flourish. In between, there will be a squidgy group of bishops who will try to sit on the fence, they will be weak men, most of whom can be relied on not to cause too much trouble either way.

Men are already finding creative ways of surviving. Some of the religious orders that were virtually destroyed by Francis and his enforcers because of their love for the Mass

of Ages are still there: they just changed their name and remain, for the time being, off the radar. Any new traditional religious orders won't register their orders with Rome until this storm has passed. There is little Rome can do about a group of men or women sharing a house, living a common life and liturgy, and even adopting a dress code in common. All they have to do is keep their heads down, grow in holiness and wait for this latest evil storm to blow itself out.

No evil lasts for ever, and *inevitably* the fruitful *shall* inherit the earth. And Pope Francis is as powerless as King Canute the Great to stop the incoming tide.

REMEMBERING ALFRED MARNAU By Joseph Shaw, Chairman of the Latin Mass Society

Alfred Marnau, the founding President of Pro Ecclesiae et Pontifice, died in 1999. As Chairman of the Latin Mass Society I have had special reason to think of him this year, the fiftieth anniversary of the 'English Indult' which he was instrumental in securing. Back in 1971, he organised a petition of cultural figures, including many non-Catholics, asking that the ancient Latin Mass be preserved alongside the reformed, vernacular Mass which had been introduced in November 1969. This petition was presented to Pope Paul VI by Cardinal Heenan, and the Pope agreed to allow the 'Old Mass' to continue: with the bishop's permission, in England and Wales.

The petition was a triumph for Marnau's cultural contacts. He was poet of German/Hungarian heritage who was born in what is now Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, but was then known as Pressburg. He managed to flee to England in 1939 and made his home here, working in the travel business and writing poems and novels in both German and English. The petition included a Member of Parliament from each of the three main parties; the Duke of Norfolk; the Editor of the Times; the Director of the National Gallery, and many other luminaries: most famously including Agatha Christie.

Pope Francis' recent Apostolic Letter Traditionis Custodes has undone much of the progress the Vetus Ordo Mass had made after 1971: once again it requires the bishop's permission, and once again it is officially regarded as something expected to disappear when its current crop of devotees has acclimatised itself to the reformed Mass. If history is any guide, things may not work out quite like that, and Alfred Marnau's achievement, in keeping open the possibility of public celebrations, for the good of the faithful, will be revealed as more than just a postponement of the inevitable. The petitioners saved something which has been able to make its appeal to new generations of Catholics, who will not lightly give it up.

In preparing for the anniversary, I have managed to find his obituary published in the Latin Mass Society's Newsletter (precursor to our quarterly magazine, Mass of Ages), and another obituary published by the Order of Malta: when widowed, Marnau became a professed Knight. It seems very probable that PEEP also published an obituary of him in 1999, and I would appreciate it very much if any member who has it stashed away in a shoe-box somewhere could send a copy to me (for my attention at the LMS Office or

by email to info@lms.org.uk). To have an appreciation of him from the perspective of PEEP in addition to those of the LMS and the Order of Malta would be very satisfying.

Marnau had been Chairman of the LMS when he decided to step back from this role to found PEEP in 1982. He recognised that the LMS must be diplomatic in its dealings with the bishops, but things needed to be said and done which could not always be diplomatic. The difficulty about how best to approach our spiritual superiors has not gone away, and both approaches are still needed. We should remember Alfred Marnau's heroic work on both fronts, and his remarkable achievements, with gratitude.

Lux aeterna luceat ei. Requiecat in pace.

TYRANTS ALWAYS GO AFTER THE NUNS

Bergoglio has now unleashed his boot boys on our contemplative nuns.

The following is a précis of an interview with Fr Maximilian Mary Dean, a former Franciscan Friar of the Immaculate and the chaplain to the discalced Carmelite nuns of Fairfield (Pennsylvania). At Fairfield, there is a thriving community of 25 nuns - their motherhouse is Valparaiso (Nebraska). These Carmelite nuns live



the traditional rule of life as prescribed by St Teresa of Avila, which of course includes the traditional Mass.

Fr Maximilian explains how Bergoglio plans to "overhaul" cloistered women's communities, and that it is not just the traditional Mass Carmelite nuns whom Pope Francis has in his gun sights but contemplative life in general.

The Congregation for Religious under Cardinal João Braz de Aviz is set on "reforming" the Carmelites. This development goes back to 2016. At that time, Pope Francis published a document, *Vultum Dei quaerere*, basically announcing that he was going to overhaul cloistered women's communities.

In May of the following year, 2017, the Fr General of all the Discalced Carmelites in the U.S., Fr Saverio Cannistrà, met with 162 Carmelite nuns in St Louis, Missouri, explaining to them the meaning of this papal document. Representatives of the Carmelites of Valparaiso and of Fairfield were present. These cloistered nuns, who never leave their cloisters were ordered to leave under obedience, and were forced to stay in hotels, not even a seminary or a monastery. At the meeting Fr General trotted out the usual claptrap of the revolutionary mind "that the times have changed and that they, contemplative, cloistered nuns, need to adapt to the times... that they can't live the way

they were living before," He further informed the nuns that, "they had to get rid of the grates, the turn, the grill, even that they needed to start teaching." The turn, or the grate – are the elements that keep the Carmelite nuns reverently separate from the world.

The vocation of these nuns is to be the hidden love at the heart of the Church, but their Fr General is telling the Carmelite nuns of the entire U.S. that they have to get with the times and give up their specific identity and Carmelite way of life. Some of the nuns at the meeting were in tears at the prospect of no longer being permitted to live their charism. Note: two years later, Fr Saverio was made a member of Braz de Aviz' Congregation by Pope Francis.

Fr Maximilian noted another sinister development in Rome with the publication of Pope Francis' document *Cor Orans* which demanded that all autonomous female monasteries join an association of monasteries, thereby joining a mixed collective entity, rather than an association of contemplative religious.

The Carmelite nuns of Fairfield (and Valparaiso, their mother house) had been approached by two remaining elderly nuns living in a Philadelphia monastery. They asked the Fairfied nuns to save them from going under by giving them some of their own young nuns. It is here that our story begins. Fairfield agreed to send some of their young women to Philadelphia - saving this monastery was deemed important because it was the monastery that had first brought devotion to St Therese of Lisieux to the United States.

However, the Philadelphia monastery had already joined an association of monasteries, and they would not let these new younger nuns live their Carmelite life with the traditional Mass and their traditional customs. They had originally been promised that they would be allowed to by Archbishop Charles Chaput, but he was now retired. Not only the Fr General, but also the new archbishop of Philadelphia, Archbishop Nelson Perez, were forcing these nuns to be part of a mixed association, and they were not permitted to live the Carmelite life that they had come to live.

Fairfield and Valparaiso realized that the vocation of their daughters was under threat, and so they recalled them. The fact that there had already been talk about an Apostolic Visitation to Philadelphia had also influenced their decision. The young nuns left Philadelphia on April 9, with tears, but also with considerable relief. Fairfield and Valparaiso monasteries did this knowing full well that once they recalled their young nuns from Philadelphia, they would have raised the bile of Bergoglio and his Modernist cabal and that there could therefore be unpleasant consequences.

And just as they anticipated, they received the news that the Vatican had decided to run an Apostolic Visitation to Philadelphia. However, the visitation to Philadelphia turned out to be a mere formality because the last surviving nun had already handed over her monastery. Thus, the birthplace of the American veneration of St. Therese of Lisieux was closed to cloistered nuns, and is now to be turned into a museum and a retreat centre.

The announcement of an Apostolic Visitation these days means that the Vatican has its sights set on destroying a monastery or religious order. As a former member of the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate, Fr Maximilian speaks here from bitter personal experience: the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate were destroyed by Pope Francis with the help of an assigned Apostolic Commissioner.

The modus operandi of the Vatican, and what we've seen consistently, is to first dishonestly pretend that you have a problem. The apostolic visitation is just a ruse to confirm that the fake problem "exists". And then the next step from there is to assign an Apostolic Commission, essentially a new superior. This means that someone from outside the monastery or religious community is forced on the community as its superior.

This was the method used to destroy the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate. The order was taken over by an outside priest, the late, infamous Fr Fidenzio Volpi, who then ordered that the rector of their seminary be replaced. That replacement took place when the new rector simply showed up at the seminary with a letter in his hand stating that he was to take over the seminary with immediate effect.

From his own experience, Fr Maximilian knows that the Vatican will always seek any opportunity to foment division in religious orders they deem problematic. The Vatican then uses these supposed internal conflicts to start a visitation and interview the individual sister to see whether there exist divisions. Because the nuns are bound by obedience not to talk to one another about the interviews, the Vatican can claim that it has unearthed divisions and no one can prove otherwise. These rules were originally intended to protect the privacy of each nun, but under the current regime in Rome, they are used as a weapon against a community.

The monastery of the late Mother Angelica, the Poor Clares of Hanceville, Alabama, received a commissioner, in their case after some internal conflicts, and the outside superior imposed on them made sure that all nuns with inclinations toward the traditional Mass were sent home. The outside superior herself explained to Fr Maximilian in 2014. "We sent all those women home," she told him. "They were fine women, but none of them had a vocation." Fr Maximilian's commented that "It sounds like a hiss from hell." That Alabama monastery of Poor Clares had – before Bergoglio's Rome got involved – some 45 nuns. It had only 13 when Fr Maximilian visited them in 2014. Further, they had to shut down one of their foundations in 2018, upon order from the Holy See.

LifeSiteNew's own research shows that Mother Angelica's own monastery – which she founded as well as the Catholic TV channel EWTN – now displays on its website a quote from the pro-LGBT Dominican priest, Fr. Timothy Radcliff. Because of his presence at a conference in 2014, EWTN chose not to be present at the event. But now Mother Angelica's own monastery quotes Fr. Radcliff on their website. This, indeed, is a very symbolic of how much that community has been changed by the Apostolic Visitation.

Fr Maximilian recounts these stories for us so that we may be alerted and warned, and able to understand what some Carmelite nuns may decide to do in the very near future. But he also does so in order to warn other orders and religious communities about the looming dangers.

Fr Maximilian concedes that, before the dismantlement of his flourishing Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate community, which had 400 friars, he was "naive." He thought "Oh, Holy Mother Church is coming to help us," when he learned about the visitation of the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate. There had been just five disgruntled friars, and that was enough for the Vatican to enter into the order and to destroy it. They removed the founder of the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate, Fr Stefano Manelli, without warning. Fr Manelli had served at Saint Padre Pio's Masses as an altar boy over 1,000 times.

Fr Maximilian also reveals that the Fairfield Carmelite community had received a tipoff that the Vatican was trying to get to their donors and thereby reduce their funding. They also sent two spies to take photos of their monastic property, who, when discovered, hastily drove off. Another warning the Fairfield nuns received is that the Vatican wants to remove Fr Maximilian as their chaplain.

Further, Fr Maximilian points out that a religious community cannot necessarily rely on the kindness of their local bishop, since he had witnessed the removal of at least two bishops – after they had tried to rescue some of the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate.

Further, the chaplain further reveals in his interview with LifeSiteNews that the new archbishop of Philadelphia, Nelson J. Perez, has been telling other bishops at the USCCB that the nuns in Valparaiso and Fairfield (women who are just trying to live a hidden life of love in the heart of the church) "are a cult."

These visitors have no interest "in dialogue;" they are coming with a pre-planned outcome. So if you let these visitations in, they're will destroy the vocations and the way of life. St. Therese of Avila wrote: "If the contemplative fails, the battle is lost." Fr Maximilian is determined that these contemplatives will not go the way of the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate.

"We are not going to lose," stated Fr Maximilian. "The Church is not going to lose the battle because we're compromising our life (which we are not intending to do). We are going to be faithful to the end."

One might see here that a final battle is approaching. Will Our Lord permit the Heart of His Church to be pierced through by this attack on the contemplative orders of the Church? And, if so, will then not also come soon her resurrection? Faithful Catholics are called to resist and to stand by these innocent and prayerful nuns who are indispensable for the future of the Church.

Fr Maximilian's also used his interview with LifeSiteNews as a sort of insurance policy to protect himself. He wanted to put it on public record that he is not suicidal, so

should he come to any harm, it should not be seen as an accident. Make of that what you will.

On the 22-24 August 1792 - Outraged French peasants attempted to prevent the eviction of a convent of nuns. Armed only with clubs and farm tools, they stood against the well-armed National Guard. One hundred peasants died, five hundred were captured, and most of those captured were butchered. The National Guard, known as les Bleus, cut off the ears from these brave Catholic men and pinned them to their hats as mock cockades.

If one could be granted the grace of choosing the hill on which one would die, then defending contemplative nuns (love at the heart of the Church) against the evil destruction planned for them by the cruel cabal of Modernists, operating from out of the deep church, and now emboldened by Bergoglio's malice, would certainly be near the top of my list.

DOUGLAS MURRAY ON CONVERSION TO CATHOLICISM

[Whilst I would describe myself as a radically traditional Catholic, I was actually first brought to Christ in my youth by a Protestant minister who did not even believe in the Trinity! So I have no problem believing that God can work through non-Catholics. One of the most interesting features of our times is the way in which non-Catholics can some times see clearly what Novus Ordo Catholics, including popes, are blind to. God's grace can work in the most unlikely vessels. Douglas Murray is a man I admire for being able to cut through a great deal of contemporary nonsense. I don't always see eye-to-eye with him. He is "married" to another man for starters. Please pray for him for he is a truth seeker. And truth seekers often sooner or later finish up in the Catholic Church - ED]

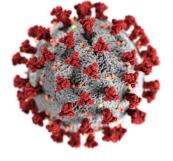
"I've been very interested in recent years watching contemporaries of mine who have seen through, looked at, stared at some of the same problems I have, and have come to conclusions of their *own*, in the religious sense.

"I've been very struck for instance by, not a large number of people, a relatively small number of people, who have for instance converted to Catholicism. I can think of one person who was an Anglican, one person who was born and brought up a Muslim, and someone else I know who was an atheist, ... people who are very thoughtful, who have come from a wide range of different directions, they have gone towards that. And what has struck me *most* is that they have gone to *the most traditional* form of that faith. I'm talking about people who have gone into Tridentine Mass-attending Catholicism. They don't go to the weaker forms of it because they want to drink directly from the well as they can.

"And that seems to me, to be as I say, why it *saddens* me, to put it no stronger, that a religion with all of this to *offer*, would offer the most watered down version of itself to the extent that it is a version that is *indistinguishable* from everything else that is on offer in society."

THE D-DIMER BLOOD TEST

What the heck is a D-Dimer Test, you ask. I'll get to that shortly. Off the bat, we need to understand what "spike proteins" are. Spike proteins are those little bits that stick out from the surface of a virus (coloured reddish-brown in the artist impression to the right). They function like shape shifting keys and enable the virus to "unlock" our cells so as to enter and infect them.



Dr Charles Hoffe MD, a Canadian GP had "vaccinated" (using the mRNa "vaccine") nearly a 1,000 of his patients before he became increasingly concerned about

the number of "vaccine" injuries he was observing. He had ten patients who, following the jab, had what the medics term Reduced Effort Tolerance (RET). Put simply: if you could walk two miles last week but can only manage half a mile this week, you have a Reduced Effort Tolerance (in this example: a RET of 75%).

Dr Hoffe was concerned that he hadn't any treatment he could offer because he had no idea what the mechanism was that was causing this. It was one of his colleges who came up with the suggestion that they carry out a D-Dimer blood test on all their patients that had been "vaccinated." The D-Dimer blood test checks for evidence of recent blood clotting. The merit of the D-Dimer test is that it can pick up microscopic blood clots that are far too small to be detected by physical examination, x-rays or CT scans, MRI, etc. To Dr Hoffe's horror, 62% of the tests came back positive! Which means, that blood clots, far from being a rare "vaccine" injury, are affecting the majority if those who receive these jabs.

In a single dose of Moderna 'vaccine' there are 40 trillion mRNA molecules. These packages are designed to be absorbed into your cells, and the place they are absorbed is the capillary networks, the tiny blood vessels where the blood flow slows right down. Your body then gets to work manufacturing trillions and trillions of these spike proteins. In a corona virus the spike protein is part of the cell wall around the virus, but it is not in a virus, it's in your own cells. So it becomes part of the cell wall of your tiny capillary blood vessels. The walls of your capillaries are normally silky smooth, to facilitate a smooth blood flow, but they are now like sandpaper, with trillions of these spiky bits sticking out. The purpose of blood platelets is to identify damaged vessels and stop bleeding, so, when the platelet comes through the capillary it suddenly hits all these spikes and it is absolutely inevitable that blood clots will form to block the vessel.

The blood clots we hear about (but which the media keep assuring us are very rare) are the big blood clots that cause strokes, heart attacks, ulcerated legs and death, these are the ones that show up on CT scans, MRI, etc. The clots we're talking about here are microscopic and far too small to find on any scan, and can thus only be detected by the D-dimer test.

People have no idea that they even have these microscopic blood clots, which, incidentally, almost certainly explain many of the known common side effects of these "vaccines", such as headaches, dizziness, numbness, fatigue, blurred vision, irregular heart beat, etc. The most alarming part of this is that there are some parts of the body like the brain, spinal cord, heart and lungs which cannot re-generate. When those tissues are

damaged by blood clots they are permanently damaged.

Further, if the blood vessels in the lungs are blocked by these microscopic clots, the heart is forced to work harder against the increased resistance to get your blood through your lungs. This is called pulmonary artery hypertension (high blood pressure in the lungs). People with this condition usually die of heart failure within three years.



LIFE IN THE SECULAR ASYLUM

The Flock has a circulation of just over 7,000 (including online circulation). This means inevitably that it is occasionally sent to people who have recently died or moved home without leaving a forwarding address.

This in turn means that occasionally the Flock ends up in the lap of one of the products of our modern loonyversities, with degrees in things like gender studies, woman rights, white privilege, diversity studies, etc. Whereas classical education stood on the shoulders of giants, modern education (invariably run by Marxist activists pretending to be educators) starts at ground zero and then break out the shovels.

These types then write me angry letters accusing me of (you've probably guessed it) hate crimes. For reasons that I have never quite fathomed, two thirds of such letters are anonymous.

I recently received one such letter, demanding (in block capitals, of course) that I "STOP SENDING UNSOLICITED PROPAGANDA". I would love to oblige, but the only problem is that, true to form, he or she had written the letter anonymously! Old habits seemingly die hard.

Seventy years ago we taught logic in our schools, it was taught as a branch of mathematics alongside trigonometry, geometry, algebra, etc. Logic was taken out of the curriculum about 50 years ago. I don't believe that was an accident, the Godless don't want students thinking rationally or critically because it is in our reason that we are the most Godlike. Nevertheless, I suspect our friend above might benefit from a few lessons in elementary logic.

"AS FAITHFUL CATHOLICS, WHO AMONG US WOULD NOT WANT TO SHORTEN THIS TIME OF TRIBULATION AND PERSECUTION?"

The following is a précis of Archbishop Viganò closing address the 2021 Catholic **Identity Conference**

Written by Robert Morrison (Remnant Columnist) - our title

In the final talk of the 2021 Catholic Identity Conference, Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò delivered what is perhaps the most vital message for Catholics today:

"Our duty in this historical moment is to fight the good fight in order to acquire those merits before God that may lead Him to shorten the time of tribulation . . . the outcome of the battle is most certain and inexorable but the duration of the persecution depends on us . . . it depends on our testimony of faith and of courageous defense of truth."

As faithful Catholics, who among us would not want to shorten this time of tribulation and persecution? In addition to giving God great honour by suffering for the Faith and thereby increasing our own merits — our good fight will expedite God's victory over the demonic rulers of our fallen world.

The fact that, as Catholics, we realize the merit and truth of Archbishop Viganò's words does not take away from the truly staggering implications. In a certain real sense, the fate of the entire world depends on the decisions of relatively few faithful Catholics to fight heroically for the Faith. The longer it takes for us to decide to heed Archbishop Viganò's words, the more time Satan has to seek the destruction of all that is good in this world.

We need to truly appreciate the dangers we face if we wish to respond appropriately. To that end, on top of all the grave evils we typically consider these days — from Bergoglio's Pachamama to Biden's vaccine mandates — we can simply recognize two things. First, the globalist villains control almost everything and have contingency plans for almost any purely *natural* countermeasure we can deploy. And second, Francis and so many of his apostate colleagues do all they can to increase the evil in the world and call down God's wrath upon us all. In human terms, we are virtually powerless to mount an effective resistance, which should direct us to seek the source of unlimited and infallibly efficacious power — God. God is permitting all of these evils so that we may turn to Him.

To better understand the indispensable nature of Archbishop Viganò's monumental message, we can consider a few ways in which it is fitting that the small remnant of faithful Catholics have so much more power than they commonly think.

Purpose of Life. The vast majority of people in the world do not accept the Catholic teaching about why God created us. As St. Francis de Sales wrote in his An Introduction to the Devout Life, God gave us all we have so that we may know, love, and serve Him:

"God did not bring you into the world because He had any need of you, useless as you are; but solely that He might show forth His Goodness in you, giving you His Grace and Glory. And to this end He gave you understanding that you might know Him, memory that you might think of Him, a will that you might love Him, imagination that you might realize His mercies, sight that you might behold the marvels of His works, speech that you might praise Him, and so on with all your other faculties."

God created us so that we may know, love, and serve Him but we have reached a point at which even the highest ranking members of the Church no longer believe this. God sees that so many formerly Catholic nations — with their abortions, divorces, pornography, LGBTQ ideologies, and new Covid religion — have become worse than they were before they knew the Faith. But the purpose of life cannot change, even if it seems that almost the entire world has forgotten it.

Given that so many Christians have seemingly abandoned God, faithful Catholics have a special obligation to be the "light of the world":

"You are the light of the world. As a city seated on a mountainside cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle and place it under a bushel, but upon a candlestick, that it may shine to all that are in the house. So let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16)

Just as we best understand the purpose of a fireman when there is a fire, and the purpose of a doctor when there is sickness, we know that our purpose as faithful Catholics is most important at this moment, when the world has grown sick and dark with apostasy. God is allowing us to see the great need for our courageous testimony of Faith and the longer we delay, the darker the world will become.

Our Lady of Fatima. The messages connected to the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima emphasize the great need for faithful Catholics to work not only for their own salvation but for the good of the Church. The Guardian Angel of Fatima asked the children to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and say the following prayer:

"Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I offer Thee the Most Precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, present in all the Tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the sacrileges, outrages and indifference by which He Himself is offended. And through the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I pray for the conversion of poor sinners."

As we can see, we have an obligation to make reparation for offenses against God and to pray for the conversion of sinners. As these souls convert, they will stop offending God and join our fight against the Great Reset.

On October 13, 1917, Our Lady of Fatima told the children how greatly God was offended, even then: "I have come to ask men to repent of their sins, to change their lives, to stop offending Our Lord who is already offended so much, and to recite the Holy Rosary."

Everything depends upon souls turning to God and we are among the very few people who know how to draw souls back to God. We must pray, do penance, and, as Archbishop Viganò told us, courageously defend the truth. If we will not do so, who will? The sooner we turn to God, with a resolute desire to serve Him as faithfully as possible, the sooner we can repeat Our Lady's words of thanksgiving in Her Magnifi-

cat: "He hath showed might in His arm; He hath scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart" (Luke 1:51).

State of the Mystical Body of Christ. As Pope Pius XII wrote in his 1943 encyclical, Mystici Corporis Christi, the suffering within the Mystical Body of Christ impacts all Catholics:

"But a body calls also for a multiplicity of members, which are linked together in such a way as to help one another. And as in the body when one member suffers, all the other members share its pain, and the healthy members come to the assistance of the ailing, so in the Church the individual members do not live for themselves alone, but also help their fellows, and all work in mutual collaboration for the common comfort and for the more perfect building up of the whole Body."

Although the traditional Catholics within the Mystical Body of Christ have shown great signs of vitality, the overall health of the Church Militant is arguably worse than it has ever been. When the most widely recognized Catholics today include Francis, Biden, Pelosi, Cardi B, and AOC, we have a problem. If we simply apply the words of Pope Pius XII to our situation today, we can readily see that the healthy members of the Mystical Body of Christ must come to the urgent need of great multitude who are ailing. We can therefore understand the great wisdom of Archbishop Vigano's message that we control the duration of the present persecution: "it depends on our testimony of faith and of courageous defense of the truth."

Causes of These Great Trials. For perhaps the first time in history, much of the world's population can now point to a common evil — the globalists leading the Great Reset — as the source of the great trials we now face and the grave threats we see on the horizon. Though most of the world does not yet understand it, faithful Catholics know that the Great Reset would not have any possibility of success if the Church had not already undergone its own reset during Vatican II and the decades that have followed.

Once we fully appreciate that failures of Catholics have caused the great trials we now experience, we can understand why this crisis will continue until Catholics courageously fight for Catholic truth against the errors that have virtually overwhelmed the Church. Why would we expect that God would allow for another solution? Politics and protests may play important roles in resisting the Great Reset tyranny, but we know what truly needs to be fixed — the Church. We need saints who are eager to give all they have in service of God.

Great Offenses Against God. God loves us so much. In his classic *Spiritual Combat*, Dom Lorenzo Scupoli described the great love Jesus has for us and His desire to see us return to Him:

"The amiable Shepherd for thirty-three years or more sought after the lost sheep through thorn-roughened ways, with so much pain that it cost Him the last drop of His sacred blood. When this devoted Shepherd sees His strayed sheep finally returning to Him with the desire of being guided in the future by Him alone, and with a sincere, though perhaps weak intention of obeying Him, is it possible that He would not look upon it with pity, listen to its cries, and bear it upon His shoulders to the fold? Doubtless He is greatly pleased to see it united again to the flock, and invites the Angels to rejoice with Him on the occasion. For if He searches so diligently after the drachma in the Gospel, which is a figure of the sinner, if He leaves nothing untouched in order to find it, can He reject those who, like sheep longing to see their Shepherd, return to the fold? Can it be imagined that the Spouse of our souls, Who diligently seeks to take possession of our hearts, Whose greatest delight is to communicate Himself to us and heap continual blessings on us—can it be imagined that He, finding the door open, and hearing us beg to be honored by His presence, will do anything but grant our request?"

Jesus loves us so much that He shed "the last drop of His Sacred Blood" for us, but He wants us to turn to Him. Far from turning to Him, though, so many of the souls He has favoured with the Faith have offended Him mercilessly. Even if our love for God is quite weak, we should still grieve over the horrendous offenses committed against God by Catholics, particularly those souls that have been consecrated to Him.

Since Francis introduced the world to his Pachamama, God has allowed us to suffer the scourge of the Great Reset, which has been principally manifested through the Covid medical tyranny. As Fr. John Echert described during the Catholic Identity Conference, it appears that the Covid virus was released in China at the 2019 World Military Games just days after Francis defiled the Church with the blasphemous idol. It is almost as though Francis participated in this blasphemy to show the globalists that he had disabled the Church's ability to resist the Great Reset.

We are, in a limited sense, "in this together with God." The offenses we feel can never compare with the offenses against God (for He is infinite), but God is allowing us to feel the horrors of sin in a special way now. As we suffer, we know the worst offenses are directed against God by Satan and his globalist fiends. Our Lord felt all of these horrors during His Agony in the Garden of Olives. But He also saw the ways in which certain souls would do all they could to carry their own crosses for Him. Which will we be, those who continue to add to the great offenses, or those who choose to repair for them?

God created us to live in these times and He will give us all the grace we need to persevere — we simply have to say "yes" to His graces. We can take great comfort in the fact that we have so much more power than the villains that afflict us when we stand with the Blessed Virgin Mary at the foot of the Cross. God cannot be outdone in generosity. If we are generous with God, doing our best to love and serve Him, we will indeed help shorten the duration of this great crisis in the Church and in the world.

Moments before Archbishop Viganò called on faithful Catholics to fight the good fight, Dr. John Rao gave us his own call to arms:

"I am calmer than I have ever been in my life . . . you get courage when you know you have no choice . . . there's no choice so you know you must fight, there's nothing else we can do."

This should be our spirit as well. God wins in the end. We know what we have to do, and there is nothing else we can do. May the Blessed Virgin Mary show us the way and help us have the courage to fight the good fight. *Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us!*

SPORTS STARS ARE AMONGST THE FITTEST PEOPLE ON THE PLANET, BUT BETWEEN JUNE AND AUGUST 2021 THERE HAVE BEEN 15 REPORTS OF TOP-CLASS ATHLETES COLLAPSING AND EVEN DYING.

These are not the bone and muscle injuries you might expect, but heart issues, brain bleeds and unexplained collapses. Although the mainstream media has shrouded the causes in mystery, in many cases the Covid "vaccines" are the obvious suspects - e.g. Olympic Badminton star Gail Emms, tweeted in June 2021 that she ended up in A&E after her first AstraZeneca jab.

Unusual health issues have been reported in football, tennis, badminton, cricket, rowing and volleyball in sportsmen and women from all around the world, and some high-profile sports stars have refused to stay silent. In an interview with TWC TV, former Wimbledon tennis champion Pat Cash, 56, made an impassioned plea: "Why are young, super-fit, healthy athletes getting vaccinated who have zero chance of dying of Covid? We've vaccinated the elderly and vulnerable. Stop coercing athletes." World number one ten-



Roy Butler: Healthy 23-Year-Old FootballerDies 4 Days After Receiving The J&J COVID-19 Vaccine

nis player Novak Djokovic has shunned the jab in favour of natural immunity (An Israeli study shows that natural immunity gives 13 times better protection than the jab.). And world No 3 Stefanos Tsitsipas, 23, said during the Western & Southern Open in Cincinnati: "The vaccine has not been tested enough, it is new, it has some side-effects. I just see no reason for someone in my age group to need to be vaccinated."

Among the most recent tragic deaths was Irish footballer Roy Butler, a defender for Waterford City, who died four days after he received the Johnson & Johnson Janssen jab. He was only 23-years-old. He developed a headache within an hour of being vaccinated, began vomiting the following day and suffered convulsions. In the early hours of Tuesday 17 August 2021 his aunt tweeted: 'My 23-year-old nephew is fighting for his life at the minute . . . got the poison on Friday, please pray for him.' Later that day she tweeted: "My beautiful nephew Roy Butler, passed away today, after the miracle 'jab' . . . I'm heartbroken and so so angry."

Former West Ham midfield footballer Pedro Obiang, 29, was diagnosed with myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle), a known side effect of the Pfizer vaccine. He developed it a few days after he received the jab. Obiang, who now plays for the Ital-

ian side Sassuolo and his national team Equatorial Guinea, spent ten days in hospital and must now rest for six months. Will he play again?

On 19 August 2021 the Italian volleyball star Francesca Marcon, 38, suffered pericarditis (inflammation of the sac surrounding the heart) after her second <u>Pfizer jab</u>. Her Instagram account reportedly said she regretted taking the jab: "I state that I am not antivax, but I was never convinced of taking this vaccine and now I understand why."

West Indian cricketers Chinelle Henry, 26, and Chedean Nation, 34, collapsed within ten minutes of each other during a match against Pakistan in Antigua. Both women, from Jamaica, were stretchered off the pitch on Friday 3 July 2021, two days after their second AstraZeneca "vaccination." They recovered but it is not known whether they have suffered lasting damage.

It is not confirmed that other suspicious deaths and collapses are linked to the jabs, but they are abnormal enough to warrant deep suspicion. Rugby ace Alex Evans, 31, who played for Cwmllynfell Rugby Football Club in South Wales, suffered a fatal cardiac arrest on the pitch during a memorial match for a former teammate on Saturday 21August 2021. And no one will forget the moment Danish and Inter Milan football star Christian Eriksen, 29, suffered a cardiac arrest during a Euros game against Finland on 12 June 2021. Czech theoretical physicist Luboš Motl tweeted: "I think it is common sense that they did everything they could to mask his positive vaccination status if it was positive, and I think that it was."

Nigerian footballer Samuel Kalu, 23, who plays for French football team Bordeaux, fainted after a 'dizzy spell' during a match against Marseille. He resumed playing after treatment but was substituted when he appeared dazed. In Turkey, Besiktas defender Fabrice N'Sakala, 31, from the Democratic Republic of Congo, collapsed on 21 August 2021 during a game against the Turkish team Gaziantepspor. He was taken to hospital with no reason given for his collapse and tweeted an alarming picture from his hospital bed showing a number of wires connecting him to an electrocardiogram machine.

A tennis player who does not want to be named commented: "The only time I've ever heard of any sports star collapsing with a heart attack was footballer Fabrice Muamba in 2012. When Eriksen collapsed, we all thought of Fabrice. It has been happening in tennis too. It's normal for tennis players to take time out for injury but I've never heard a player sit down and say 'My heart is racing'. Tennis players are supremely fit and used to playing in intense heat. They have constant health checks and travel with physios and fitness trainers. They'll measure their hydration levels and lung capacity; keeping fit is a real science."

Seven tennis players retired unexpectedly on July 2021 from various tournaments with different complaints. Petra Kvitová, the 31-year-old Czech player ranked 11 in the world, was playing Germany's Angelique Kerber, 33, a former number one, when she quit in the second set of the match during the Western & Southern Open in Cincinnati. She tweeted: 'I stayed out there as long as I could. I have been struggling with a stomach issue for several days and unfortunately couldn't finish the match today.' French

player Gaël Monfils, 34, vomited in a courtside rubbish bin during the same tournament.

In the National Bank Open in Toronto in August 2021, the USA's Taylor Fritz lost to Australian James Duckworth after suffering unexplained heart problems. He later tweeted: "Probably one of the weirdest things I've ever experienced . . . heart was going absolutely crazy for no reason."

Two Henley Regatta rowers, William Denegri from Oxford Brookes University, who collapsed and was hauled into a lifeguard boat, and three hours earlier, Maya Gruen from Shrewsbury School had needed medical attention.

COVID AND TRADS

One of the mysteries that I have been struggling to understand is why from the first day the fake pandemic was announced not one traditional Catholic took it seriously. Why? It is not as if there was some dogma of the faith that said ignore the baloney. I say "no traditional Catholic", but there were one or two who donned their stupid face nappies, but 99% plus just carried on as normal. As for social distancing, if anything, we embraced one another more warmly, shook hand more cordially and kissed one another's wives more affectionately than usual. And as for gathering in groups, we carried on as normal - I was at one house party with 30 traddies present. As for wearing the ridiculous face nappies, I know of one traddy who actually got a coach stopped on the M1 on account of his refusal to wear one - the driver called the police, but my friend won the exchange. Whilst Francis's "church of accompaniment" quickly morphed into the church of abandonment, many traditional priests carried on offering Mass clandestinely. The times and places of these Masses rapidly spread by word of mouth resulting in some traditional priests doubling their congregations. The atmosphere at these Masses was very special, one felt a real solidarity with our forefathers in penal times. There is a similar story with the "vaccine": of the hundreds of trads I know, I only know five who had agreed to accept the death jabs.

One Traddy friend and his family did go down with Covid-19 and both he and his wife were quite seriously ill. Friends quickly smuggled some Ivermectin in from India (where it is apparently available over the counter, like Aspirin is here). Within 24-hours of taking it he was back on his feet! - his wife needed one further day to recover.

Just recently, I believe I am beginning to understand why the trad community so overwhelmingly rejected and ignored the government's and the mainstream media's narrative. The first step in understanding is the realisation that the whole Covid thing is in reality a classic case of mass psychosis. What do I mean by "psychosis? Psychosis is just a posh word for mad, and a person is mad when their brain become detached from reality. Mass psychosis is when whole groups become mad, in this case seemingly most of the world. Psychologists struggle to understand mass psychosis, but there are a couple of commonalities. The first is the trigger is invariably fear. Given sufficient fear, crowds have been known to stampede, even trampling children under foot. One other known factor: approximately 15% of people are not sucked into the mass psychosis and remain stubbornly outside the bubble.

The Covid mass psychosis is not dissimilar to the irrational fear of witches in the sixteenth century that resulted in some 40,000 innocent women being burned alive. At one point in medieval Europe, witch burning was so common that there were hardly any women left in some villages. Incidentally, a period in history when the Church did not exactly cover itself in glory by coming to the rescue of the innocent. Instead, then as now, many priests helped stoke the fires of mass psychosis. Only the Spanish escaped the madness, saved by their much maligned Inquisition, which demanded hard evidence for a conviction. The exaggerated fear of Jews in Nazi Germany that resulted in 4,000,000 (including women and children) ending up in the death camps would be a another example of mass psychosis.

The reality is we are talking about a middling flu like illness that most won't catch. Those who do catch it are unlikely to be seriously ill. And those who are seriously ill are unlikely to be hospitalized. And those who are hospitalized are unlikely to die - the survival rate for Covid is around 99.97%. Covid has become a cult as nutty as the People's Temple or the Moonies. The enthusiasm for being injected with an experimental "vaccine" against a virus for which 99.7 per cent would have survived with a Lemsip and a box of Kleenex sadly proves just how easily most people can be brainwashed.

Further, the average age of those who do die (*allegedly* from Covid) is over 82, which is older than the average life expectancy of 27 European countries, including Germany. They also have on average 2.9 co-morbidities of which gross obesity is the most common. Please tell me when did a grossly overweight man in his eighties, with diabetes and heart failure, dying of a chest infection, became a major news story ... and, more importantly, why?

Furthermore, chest infections (pneumonia) are caused by germs, not by viruses. So what they are now doing is shoving a swab up your nose and if they find a trace of Covid RNA they are putting that on the death certificate. Putting aside the fact that even the inventor of the test they are using has publicly stated that it is not fit for that purpose, they have no way of knowing, just by that test, that the virus actually played any part in the death, they can only tell that it was present - if you find a microscopic trace of asbestos up my nose, it doesn't prove I died of asbestosis! You could probably find a dozen pathogens up my nose if you tested for them, it doesn't mean I'm ill. The mucus at the back of the nose is one of the body's first lines of defense, it is where pathogens are *supposed* to be trapped.

The next step in my journey to understand this mystery was remembering that research had shown that church attendance dramatically reduced mental illness. Specifically, it reduces deaths from despair according to a study by researchers from Harvard University. "Deaths from despair" is defined as "deaths from suicide, unintentional poisoning by alcohol or drug overdose, and chronic liver diseases and cirrhosis," The study, at the Department of Epidemiology at Harvard's T. H. Chan School of Public Health, found that "attendance at religious services at a minimum of once per week" was asso-

ciated with an extraordinary 68% lower hazard of death from despair among women, compared with non-church-goers. The team studied a group of over 100,000 nurses and health care professionals in the United States for a 17-year period.

The researchers did not make a distinction between denominations, but would it not be reasonable to speculate that if church-going across the board produced such spectacular benefits, then practising the one true faith in its most radical form, i.e. traditional Catholicism, would provide the greatest protection from insanity of them all?

Could this explain why traditional Catholics as a community remained stubbornly outside the Covid mass psychosis bubble from day one? It's a thought, something, after all, must explain why traditional Catholics remained among that 15% that psychologists know will stubbornly resist being swept up by mass psychosis. I could of course be wildly wrong, but if you have a better explanation please do let me know.

A small caveat here: not all priests who serve the traditional community remained outside the Covid bubble, but that is because not all priests who offer the traditional Mass are traditionalists, many still have one foot very firmly set in the Novus Ordo camp.

It is worth noting here that when mass psychosis was raging in Nazi Germany, driven by an irrational and exaggerated fear of the Jews, two traditional Catholics between them saved more Jews from the gas chambers than all the allied governments added together, namely Pope Pius XII and General Franco.

PEEP AND THE CHARITY COMMISSION

Readers of the Summer 2021 Flock will already know that PEEP has come on the radar of the Charity Commission. A Judas among our readership has reported us to the Charity Commission (anonymously, of course) for "racism", "homophobia", "Islamophobia", "Extremism", "transphobia", and exploiting vulnerable people (i.e. you dear reader). I'm sure I've missed out a few left-wing buzzwords, but you have the gist of the gibberish.

It is important to understand that these words are not real words. No one can define what they mean. They are merely crude batons fabricated by the left to beat into submission anyone who has the temerity to question the latest dogmas of their secular religion - it's so much easier than indulging in intelligent debate ... and safer, I guess, from their perspective.

The higher stratums of the Charity Commission, like much of modern life, is staffed by the left-wing group-think types that are churned out by our modern loonyversities like widgets of a production belt. Classical education stood on the shoulders of giants, modern education starts at ground zero and then breaks out the shovels.

To cut a long story short, the trustees of PEEP have decided to relinquish our charity status and reform ourselves as some other legal entity. The exact nature of this is still under consideration and discussion. We hope to have everything settled by Christmas. It will, of course, be a pity to lose the "free" income that comes with charity status, but

this will be more than compensated for by the freedom we will acquire to explore issues in depth, without worrying about some left-wing bigot breathing down our neck.

In the meantime, if you are donating in sterling please make cheques payable to "The Flock." If you are donating by writing out a foreign currency cheque, please write the cheque out to "Graham Moorhouse." The current account we have opened for The Flock doesn't accept foreign cheques, but I can put non-sterling cheques into my private account and then transfer the funds in sterling into the Flock account. We hope very soon to find a better banking arrangement.

I print below the letter of Patrick Lawler, one of our trustees, for the Charity Commission that sums up our position masterfully.

Dear Graham

I hereby attest and affirm that I have read all correspondence between yourself and the Charity Commission dating 15th June 2021 to 14th August 2021.

I wish to state categorically that I am in full, complete and unreserved agreement with your decision to renounce charitable status for PEEP and to reconstitute in a legal, non-charitable form to continue our activities free of the constant threat of vindictive, ideologically motivated State apparatchiks.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Charity Commission for revealing, yet again, their naked anti-Christian and anti-Western bias, rank disingenuity and low-brow bureaucratic malice. I have a sneaking suspicion it may prove the basis for a future article or two. Further, I would like to thank them for giving us this opportunity to free ourselves from even the slightest taint of funding from a government which has done so much (especially in the last eighteen months) to prove itself the enemy of the good people of this country.

In Christo Rege et Maria Regina

Patrick Lawler

THE JAB EVERYTHING THAT MOVES -V- ANTI-VAXXER DISPUTE By Graham Moorhouse

Note I use the word "dispute" as opposed to debate. That is because since the left took over our education system, civilised public debates are regrettably a thing of fond but distant memory. Today any dissent from the party line is a thought crime to be vigorously suppressed and punished. Hence silly labels like "homophobia", "Islamophobia", "anti-vaxxer", "conspiracy theorist", etc. are tossed around like confetti These are just crude batons fabricated to intimidate into silence anyone brave enough to question the narrative, no matter how tentative or nuanced, or indeed well-informed. This unjust demonising of one's would-be debate opponent is so much safer than engaging in rational, civil debate - especially so if you have good reason to fear you may lose.

One of the things driving the faction who want to jab children for every pathogen under the sun is the secular creation myth of evolution. We do not appreciate just how deeply this myth is embedded into society, so much so that it is part of the furniture of the subconscious of most modern men. And we seldom appreciate just how much our subconscious dictates our actions. My own daughters, for example, know full well at their conscious level that spiders are completely harmless, but that will not stop them screaming and jumping on a chair because one has just run across the floor.

If you believe that your great grandfather was a mushroom, and that evolution is the explanation for the origin of species, then you believe that man is the product of blind, irrational forces. And if you believe at the level of your sub-conscious that man is the product of sightless, haphazard forces, then certain assumptions inevitably follow. One of which is the hypothesis that most of the systems that make up man, especially one as complicated as his immune system, are imperfect. Why should one expect it to be otherwise when it is the product of random, chance forces at work? Consequently, we have a duty to use our intelligence to be constantly tweaking it to improve it and fine-tune it. The self-evident dichotomy in using our intelligence, which is equally the product of the same blind, random forces, to fix the problem clearly escape the true believers.

However, if you believe that man, although wounded by sin, comes from the hands of a loving and infinitely wise God, then your attitude to the human body and its immune system will be radically different. You will want to cherish this beautiful gift that God has given you by eating sensibly, exercising wisely and getting plenty of sunshine, and avoiding harmful things like smoking, alcohol abuse, etc. If you live in a temperate zone where you do not receive adequate sunshine than it would be wise to supplement your intake of natural elements such as vitamin "D", elements that modern science believes are essential for a robust immune system. But why in the name of sanity would any man who believes his immune system comes perfect from the hand of God, want Bill Gates to squirt into his body a risky, experimental gene therapy, never successfully tried before, for an illness most manage with a Lemsip and a packet of Kleenex? Why, in a sentence, would you accept a risky and ineffective vaccine for an inconsequential (in the most part) illness?

I'm was looking out my window this morning at pigeons greedily hoovering up any disgusting garbage thrown out for them. How come God has given pigeons brilliant, bullet-proof immune systems but not me? Just asking.

THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC PATRIARCHATE

[How to understand the Byzantine Catholic Patriarchate? It has its parallel in the SSPX. The SSPX was formed from the side of the western, Latin Catholic Church, by priests who rejected the endless Modernist novelties of post-Conciliar Rome. Similarly, the Byzantine Catholic Patriarchate was formed from the side of the Greek Catholic Church (specifically, the Ukrainian Catholic Church) for the same reasons. The leader of the SSPX is, of course, well known: Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre. The

leader of the Byzantine Catholic Patriarchate is not so well known: Archbishop Elijah Anthony Dohnal OSBMr. OSBMr stands for Order of Saint Basil the Great. The Order of Saint Basil the Great, also known as the Basilian Order of Saint Josaphat, is a Greek Catholic Church monastic order of Pontifical Right for men, which is present in many countries.

Just like the SSPX the Byzantine Catholic Patriarchate has ordained bishops without papal permission to ensure their survival, and just like the bishops of the SSPX these men claim no territorial jurisdiction. Interestingly, these bishops have not been formally excommunicated by Rome.

My purpose here is not to defend the formation of the Byzantine Catholic Patriarchate, but to explain it. Neither should you assume that I agree 100% with everything that Archbishop Elijah writes. Nevertheless, I do believe that if a couple of dozen bishops had the integrity and courage to speak as boldly and clearly in defence of Christ and His Church as does Archbishop Elijah, we could well see a rapid and merciful end to this disastrous and scandalous papacy.

The letter reproduced below is an open letter from Archbishop Elijah Dohnal to the faithful of Hungary on the occasion of Pope Francis visit to Hungary -ED.]

Byzantine Catholic Patriarchate (9 August 2021)

Catholics of Hungary, how will you welcome a promoter of Islamization and the greatest heretic of all time?

Dear Hungarian Catholics and people of good will,

On Sunday 12 September, your nation is to be honoured with a visit from not only a contradictory personality but also a promoter of homosexuality, gender perversions, idolatry, experimental vaccination, Islamization of European nations, etc. It would be foolish to welcome such a notorious person with applause or to produce false euphoria in the mass media. Celebration balloons are only intended to deceive and manipulate the public. On the other hand, it is not enough to stay passive. This serial spiritual and mass criminal is going to visit Hungary not because he pursues the good of the country, but because he wants to cause chaos, division, or even provoke a coup, as was the case in Armenia, for example. It is the duty not only of Catholics but of every honest citizen of Hungary to express disagreement with the visit of this intruder who spiritually brings along entire legions of demons wherever he comes.

On 12 September, Bergoglio is to meet with the political representatives of the nation, then with the Catholic bishops, then with the representatives of the non-Catholic churches and also with the representatives of the Jewish community.

We have called on the Jewish rabbis to reprimand Bergoglio for the offences against the Ten Commandments, especially against the First Commandment concerning Pachamama idolatry and the Sixth Commandment which forbids sodomy. We have urged the Catholic bishops to call on the invalid Pope to resign because, as a heretic, he occupies the highest ecclesiastical office illegitimately. The Church does not have a Pope now. It is in a state of *Sede Vacante*. A heretic and theomachist¹ cannot be the head of the Church. According to Gal 1:8-9 and according to the Dogmatic Bull *Cum Ex Apostolatus Officio*², Bergoglio is excommunicated from the Church. One month after visiting Hungary, Bergoglio will launch a so-called synodal process with the aim of destroying the papacy. May the Hungarian bishops take a heroic step before his visit and be the first of all nations to publicly separate themselves from this invalid heretical Pope. May they launch their own synodal path, so that they can receive a true Catholic Pope and thus contribute not only to the restoration but also preservation of the papacy.

We have called on the members of the Ecumenical Council of Churches to begin the meeting with Bergoglio with a short prayer, which should immediately continue with an exorcism over Bergoglio. Let us point out that the demons behind Bergoglio are extremely powerful, so in addition to prayer, fasting is also recommended. Jesus says: "This kind of demon does not go out except by prayer and fasting" (Mt 17:21). Let the rest of the Hungarian clergy also join them and perform the exorcism with faith, each in the place where he is.

Politicians should excuse themselves on the grounds of security measures related to Corona psychosis, for which reason they should keep a distance of two metres from Bergoglio and not shake his hand so as to protect themselves against infection in all respects.

Furthermore, we appeal to the Hungarian mass media to beware of the globalization trend which will develop a strong advertising campaign not only by involving all global media, but also trying to exploit the Hungarian media for its destructive goals. Do resist this pressure; focus on raising awareness and correctly inform about who Bergoglio really is and about the negative fruit of his activities. Draw attention to what great heresies he promotes and what he pursues by visiting Hungary and Slovakia. The purpose of his visit is destabilization, chaos and division. It is necessary to warn against this, and not to prepare the ground in the media for an antinational influence on Hungary. If some media promote Bergoglio uncritically and positively, it is important to know that this is media terror connected with a betrayal of the nation.

Bergoglio manipulates public opinion by saying that he listens to the voice of the people. All Christians and all people of good will, you are the voice of the people; you are therefore obliged to unanimously demand repentance from Bergoglio for promoting Islamization, sodomy, experimental vaccination and idolatry with the Pachamama de-

¹ Theomachist definition: One who fights against God (or the gods)

² Cum Ex Apostolatus Officio is the name of a papal bull issued by Pope Paul IV on 15 February 1559; it states that only Catholics can be elected Popes, to the exclusion of non-Catholics, including former Catholics who have become public and manifest heretics.

mon, and to uncompromisingly demand his resignation as an act of repentance. This is your big task; the voice of the people is the voice of truth that must be listened to.

What exactly should you do? On 12 September, Bergoglio must hear the voice of the people in Heroes' Square – through chanting, banners and a specific request for resignation directly from you and through your representatives. Let us point out that the liberals expressed their protest against Pope Benedict by throwing rotten tomatoes and eggs.

Every Sunday before the visit, and especially on Sunday 12 September, stay outside your churches or prayer houses after the Mass or Divine Service, and hold religious demonstrations with banners with this intention and with speeches. The mass media should publish all this before the visit, recording interviews with the demonstration participants, in order to make it known that the Hungarian people do not agree with this destructive visit.

And as for the Catholics and the Eucharist, let us point out again: if Bergoglio is the main celebrant, the Holy Mass is not only invalid, but brings down a curse on Catholics and on the bishops and priests who will be in union with him, as well as on those who will manifest this union by receiving the invalid Holy Communion.

Dear Hungarian citizens, realize the seriousness of the situation! Bergoglio introduces the Antichrist's system. He, as a false prophet, is the forerunner of the Antichrist. Unless you overtly stand in defence of your nation at an early stage, he will bring a curse and your nation will be spiritually, morally and physically decimated. Act resolutely and with determination while there is time!

- + Elijah (Patriarch of the Byzantine Catholic Patriarchate)
- + Methodius OSBMr + Timothy OSBMr (Secretary Bishops)

ARE WE ALREADY SEEING THE WORST PROPHECIES ABOUT THE DEATH JAB BEGINNING TO MATERIALISE?

Data from Public Health England shows that since July this year (i.e. a mere three months at the time of writing) there were:

- 2,103 extra death registrations with ischemic heart disease,
- 1,552 with heart failure, as well as an extra
- 760 deaths with cerebrovascular diseases such as stroke and aneurysm and
- 3,915 extra deaths with other circulatory diseases. There were also
- 3,416 more mentions on death certificates of acute and chronic respiratory infections since the start of July.

Note: that's nearly 12,000 extra deaths from causes that are all *known* to be among side effects of the Covid jabs. "Extra" is here defined as extra over the average for the previous five years.

Further, an investigation of official ONS data has revealed that since the Covid-19 vaccine was offered and administered to teenagers in England and Wales there has been a 63% rise in deaths among teenage boys, with one week seeing an increase as high as 700%.

A similar pattern is beginning to immerge in some other countries including the USA.

https://news.yahoo.com/analysis-thousands-more-usual-dying-170117640.html?guccounter=1

YOU WILL NEVER READ A MORE BEAUTIFUL SOCIAL MEDIA POST IN YOUR LIFE



Jim Clark

Today, I operated on a little girl. She needed Oblood. We didn't have any, but her twin brother has Oblood. I explained to him that it was a matter of life and death. He sat quietly for a moment, and then said goodbye to his parents. I didn't think anything of it until after we took his blood and he asked, "So when will I die?" He thought he was giving his life for hers. Thankfully, they'll both be fine

"Amen I say to you, whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, shall not enter into it." - [Mark 10:15]

WE SHOULD NEVER TIRE OF THANKING GOD FOR THE CATHOLIC PRIESTHOOD Paraphrasing the Curé of Ars

If you go to confession to Our Lady or to an angel, would they be able to absolve you? Could they give you the Body and Blood of Our Lord? No, Our Lady cannot make bread and wine turn into the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of her Divine Son. And you could confess your sins to 500 angels, and they would not be able to absolve you. A priest, however simple or even unworthy he may be, has these powers. Only a priest can say to you: "I absolve you from your sins. Go in peace."

FROM THE MAIL BOX

NB Because of the toxic atmosphere in which orthodox priests have to work in the modern Church, we never publish their real names. All priests are called Fr Ignobilis and reside in Stat Veritas for the purposes of this mailbox

"I am very proud to be a member of that group, which reads and supports your wonderful magazine."

Dear Mr Moorhouse - I was so upset to read about the "Judas" who sent a complaint about your *fantastic* magazine to the Charity Commission., accusing you of "homophobia" and "transphobia" and accusing me of being a member of a "vulnerable group". Well, I am very proud to be a member of that group, which reads and supports your wonderful magazine.

And as a little help I have enclosed a donation of support, and have written to the Charity Commission as requested by you, but I fear it may fall on deaf ears and blind eyes! I also fear the "Judas" lacks any understanding of the purpose of revealing the TRUTH, and if the truth is not palatable, then so be it!

Please be assured of my prayers for you all. God bless you and your great work. Yours sincerely

Barbara McCaffrey (Newcastle)

"I enjoy your lively, precise writing and common sense"

Dear Graham - Please find enclosed my donation to help keep the Flock alive and kicking. I enjoy your lively, precise writing and common sense analysis of the world we are all living in these last few years. I am telling my friends and acquaintances about your magazine. I hope the local agents of the one world order do not achieve their aim to silence you or close down your inspiring and excellent magazine.

May the blessing of God and His Holy Mother be with you.

Richard Greene (Dublin)

"Thank you so much for the wonderful work that you do"

Thank you so much for the wonderful work that you do. It is much appreciated.

Please may I have a few more copies of A Sin Against Prudence? I am giving them to people who find the advice so helpful. 4 copies would be good thanks.

Mrs Carolyn Holbrook (Isle of Wight)

"I ... pass it on to all my friends"

Thanks so much for sending me copies of the Flock. I appreciate it and pass it on to all my friends. God bless all at PEEP. I'm praying for you all every day. Sincerely:

Miss Bridget Haran (Surrey)

"... may God bless, guide and strengthen you in all you do."

Dear Mr Moorhouse - Thank you for your courage and fortitude, in trying to alert people to the scourge that civil powers are now imposing on God and his creation. They want to conduct a mass vaccination program, but people will not accept that. So how do they do it.

It is called the "Hegelian Dialectic." Formulate a crisis, i.e. Covid 19, now they have the platform. Convince the masses that the only solution to the pandemic is mass vaccination. When the herd accepts it, that's it, job done. There is no doubt in my mind that this virus was carefully produced and engineered and then deliberately released to cause world wide panic.

People are so afraid now, very few are capable of thinking and rationalizing, so they are easily led and controlled.

Keep up your good work, and may God bless, guide and strengthen you in all you do. I shall have a Mass said for you for that intention. God bless you.

Joe McDonell (Feltham, London)

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