Assertiones centum ad mentem doctoris subtilis ac mariani Ioannis Duns Scotis (*One Hundred Assertions According to the Mind of the Subtle and Marian Doctor John Duns Scotus*)

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ASSERTIO LXXXII

It is a matter of faith that Innocent XIII is the true Supreme Pontiff. Thus hold all Catholics.

This is proven: I. From the Bull¹ of Martin V decreeing that heretics returning to the Church should be asked, "whether they believe that the canonically elected Pope, whoever he may be at that time, with his proper name explicitly expressed, is the successor of Blessed Peter, having supreme authority in the Church of God?" The reason is: because it is a matter of faith that this particular Roman Church is the true Church, therefore it will also be a matter of faith that this particular Roman Pope is the true Supreme Pontiff.

- II. Because this proposition: "Innocent the Thirteenth is the true Supreme Pontiff," is contained immediately in this revealed proposition: "Every Pontiff peacefully received by the entire Church is the true Pope."
- III. The definitions of Innocent XIII speaking ex cathedra are matters of faith; but they would not be matters of faith unless it were a matter of faith that Innocent XIII is the true Pope: therefore.

¹ Inter cunctas, article 21: Denzinger no. 568.

Objection I. It is not revealed that Innocent XIII is validly baptized, canonically elected, etc. I respond by making a distinction: it is not explicitly revealed, I concede; it is not implicitly revealed through the peaceful reception by the universal Church, I deny.

II. It is not a matter of faith that in this particular consecrated host is the Body of Christ: therefore. I respond by denying the consequence; the disparity is: because it is not certain whether this host is validly consecrated, but it is otherwise regarding the acceptance of the Pope.