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Sunday, April 21, 2013

FOSTERING HOLY VOCATIONS IN IMITATION OF THE MOTHERS OF LU, ITALY

TODAY IN THE NOVUS ORDO CALENDAR IS GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY(4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER). IN THE CLASSICAL ROMAN RITE THIS IS CELEBRATED ON THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY IS TRADITIONALLY SET ASIDE TO PRAY FOR HOLY VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD. I HAVE LONG BELIEVED THAT A RESTORATION OF THE DAILY FAMILY ROSARY WOULD DO MORE THAN ANYTHING TO FOSTER PRIESTLY AND RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS. I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN EDIFIED AND FASCINATED BY THE VILLAGE OF LU, ITALY AND HOW CATHOLIC MOTHERS SET OUT TO FOSTER HOLY PRIESTLY AND RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS: HERE IS A REPOST FROM SPIRITUAL MOTHERHOOD FOR PRIESTS

Lectori salutant



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PRAY FOR THE CHURCH AND THE POPE



MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2009

In imitation of the mothers of Lu



The rural villiage of Lu in Italy.

Upon reading the booklet Adoration, Reparation, Spiritual Motherhood for Priests, one of the stories that struck me most was of a group of Catholic mothers living in a rural village in Italy - the mothers of Lu. What I saw immediately was that small acts of faithfulness and devotion were rewarded many times over in an abundance of vocations to the priesthood and religious life. This should be of no surprise, for Holy Scripture tells us:

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Matthew 7: 7-8. It also reminded me that parents have a special spiritual authority over their children, it is God given and an awesome responsiblity and privilege. These mothers called upon Heaven for their children and they were mighty prayers indeed.

The mothers banded together in faith and mutual love for God and their children. This was spiritual motherhood in action, it was simple, it was constant. I thought about this and I realised firstly, just how important it is to ask God to bless our own families with religious vocations if it be God's Holy Will and secondly that this is doable!

Today we do not live in the small, isolated confinds of a village or town. This world has opened up in a universal way and we see this particuarly in the online world where mothers from one end of the globe to the other can communicate with each other. While this world has grown large, Catholic mothers all over the globe can still band together as the mothers of Lu once did - together we can pray and be inspired with stories of faith, we can support each other in our shared mission of praying and offering for priests and vocations. God willing, here at Spiritual Motherhood for Priests, can be one such place.

Please join with us every Sunday in offering the prayer at the end of this post, the same prayer offered by the mothers of Lu, asking God daily for the gift of priests and religious, especially from our own families. (It is also permanently in the righthand sidebar.)

Here now is the story of the mothers of Lu:

"The little village of Lu, northern Italy, with only a few thousand inhabitants, is in a rural area 90 kilometres east of Turin. It would still be unknown to this day if, in the year 1881, the family others of Lu had not made a decision that



For the Pope Fr Tim Finegan of 'The Hermeneutic of Continuity' Blog has given some golden advice: "Every day, as part of my morning prayers, I say the prayer Ecclesiae for the protection of the Church, along with the prayer for the Pope, both from the traditional Missal. I have done so ever since the footwashing incident and do so each day as the bad news piles up. Following St Vincent Ferrer, I would urge that if you disagree with the Pope, prayer is not simply a piously sentimental comfort, but the proper course of action since it is an appeal to his immediate superior." Deus, omnium fidelium pastor et rector, famulum tuum Franciscum, quem pastorem Ecclesiae tuae praeesse voluisti, propitius respice: da ei, quaesumus, verbo et exemplo, quibus praeest, proficere: ut ad vitam, una cum grege sibi credito, perveniat sempiternam. Per Dominum Nostrum Iesum Christum Filium Tuum, Qui Tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen. O God, the Shepherd and Ruler of all Thy faithful people, mercifully look upon Thy servant, Francis, whom Thou hast chosen as the chief Shepherd to preside over Thy Church; grant him, we beseech Thee, so to edify, both by word and example, those over whom he hath charge, that he may attain unto everlasting life, together with the flock committed unto him. Through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Coetus Internationalis Patrum



Sensus Catholicus: The sense of the Catholic faith is the patrimony of all the faithful, even the simplest (in which it is often stronger), by believing what has always been believed and taught by the Church and by adhering with whole soul to the Faith of the Church. Thereby the Catholic is assisted in distinguishing what is conformed to the Faith or, on the contrary, what afflicts and corrupts it. (Rev. Canon Rene Berthod) romanità: Roman character or quality

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had "serious consequences". The deepest desire of many of these mothers was for one of their sons to become a priest or for a daughter to place her life completely in God's service.



Eucharistic Adoration

Under the direction of their parish priest, Msgr. Alessandro Canora, they gathered every Tuesday for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, asking the Lord for vocations. They received Holy Communion on the first Sunday of every month with the same intention. After Mass, all the mothers prayed a particular prayer together imploring for vocations to the priesthood. Through the trusting prayer of these mothers and the openness of the other parents, an atmosphere of deep joy and Christian piety developed in the families, making it much easier for the children to recognize their vocations."



This picture is indeed unique in the annals of the Catholic Church.

From 1 to 4 September 1946, the majority of the 323 priests and religious met in their village of Lu for a reunion which attracted world-wide attention.

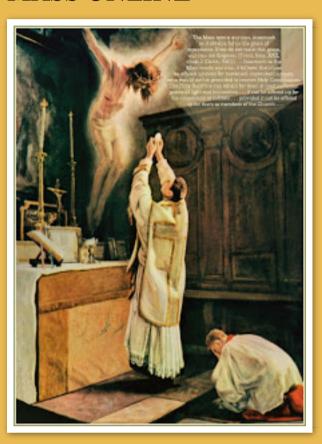
"Did the Lord not say, "Many are called, but few are chosen" (Mt 22:14)? In other words, many are called, but only a few respond to that call. No one expected that God would hear the prayers of these mothers in such an astounding way. From the tiny village of Lu came 323 vocations!: 152 priests (diocesan and religious), and 171 nuns belonging to 41 different congregations. As many as three or four vocations came from some of these families.



Blessed Philip Rinaldi

The most famous example is the Rinaldi family, from whom God called seven children. Two daughters became Salesian sisters, both of whom were sent to San Domingo as courageous, pioneer missionaries. Five sons became priests, all joining the Salesians. The most well-known of the Rinaldi brothers is Blessed Philip Rinaldi, who became the third successor of St. John Bosco as Superior General of the Salesians. Pope John Paul II beatified him on 29 April 1990. In fact, many of the vocations from this small town became Salesians.

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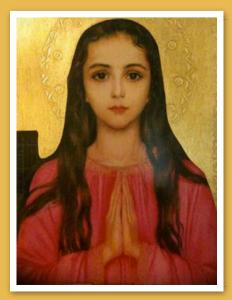
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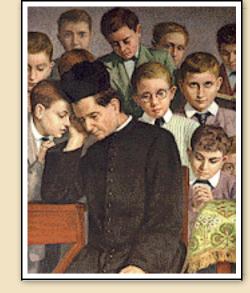
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St John Bosco

It is certainly not a coincidence, since St. John Bosco visited Lu four times during his life. The saint attended the first Mass of his spiritual son, Fr. Philip Rinaldi in this village where he was born. Philip always fondly recalled the faith of the families of Lu:

"A faith that made our fathers and mothers say, 'The Lord gave us our children, and so if He calls them, we can't say no."

Fr. Luigi Borghina and Fr. Pietro Rota lived the spirituality of Don Bosco so faithfully that the former was called the "Brazilian Don Bosco" and the latter the "Don Bosco of Valtellina". Pope John XXIII once said the following about another vocation from Lu, His Excellency, Evasion Colli, Archbishop of Parma: "He should have become pope, not me. He had everything it takes to become a great pope."

Every ten years, the priests and sisters born in Lu come together from all around the world. Fr. Mario Meda, the long-serving parish priest of Lu, explained that this reunion is a true celebration, a feast of thanksgiving to God who has done such great things for Lu."

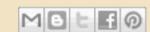
The prayer that the mothers of Lu prayed was short, simple, and deep:

"O God, grant that one of my sons may become a priest!

I myself want to live as a good Christian
and want to guide my children always to do what is right,
so that I may receive the grace, O God, to be allowed to give you a holy priest!

Amen."

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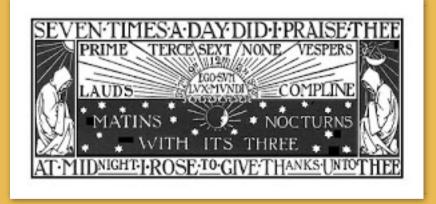
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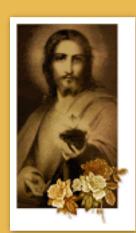
Prayer of St Therese of the Infant Jesus and the Holy Face



It is said that this devotion brought St Therese

of Lisieux, "the Little Flower", to her great sanctity. This is her prayer to the Holy Face: O Jesus, who in Thy bitter Passion didst become "the most abject of men, a man of sorrows", I venerate Thy Sacred Face whereon there once did shine the beauty and sweetness of the Godhead; but now it has become for me as if it were the face of a leper! Nevertheless, under those disfigured features, I recognize Thy infinite Love and I am consumed with the desire to love Thee and make Thee loved by all men. The tears which well up abundantly in Thy sacred eyes appear to me as so many precious pearls that I love to gather up, in order to purchase the souls of poor sinners by means of their infinite value. O Jesus, whose adorable Face ravishes my heart, I implore Thee to fix deep within me Thy divine image and to set me on fire with Thy Love, that I may be found worthy to come to the contemplation of Thy glorious Face in Heaven. Amen.

Cor Jesu sacratissimum, miserere nobis!



Prayer of Trust in the Sacred Heart: In all my temptations, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In all my weaknesses, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In all my difficulties, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In all my trials, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In all my sorrows, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In all my work, I place my trust in You, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In every failure, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In every discouragement, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In life and in death, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus. In time and in eternity, I place my trust in Thee, O Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Mater Ter Admirabilis, ora pro nobis!



My Queen, my Mother, I give myself entirely to

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PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE HOLY FATHER MOST POWERFUL Patriarch St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, which has always invoked thee in anxiety and trouble, from the exalted seat of thy glory cast a loving glance upon the whole Catholic world. let thy fatherly heart be touched at the sight of the Mystical Spouse and the Vicar of Christ overwhelmed with sorrow and persecuted by powerful enemies. Oh, by the bitter anguish thou didst experience upon earth, dry the tears of the venerable Pontiff, defend him, comfort him, intercede for him with the Giver of peace and charity, that, all adversity being removed and all error dissipated, the entire Church may serve God in perfect liberty. Amen.

St. Therese of Lisieux and brother Marcel Van



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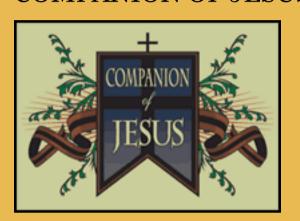
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V. Let us pray for Franceso, our Pope. R. May the Lord preserve him, and give him life, and make him blessed upon the earth, and deliver him not up to the will of his enemies. [Ps 40:3] Pater Noster, Ave Maria. O God, Shepherd and Ruler of all Thy faithful people, look mercifully upon Thy servant Franceso, whom Thou hast chosen as shepherd to preside over Thy Church. Grant him, we beseech Thee, that by his word and example, he may edify those over whom he hath charge, so that together with the flock committed to him, may he attain everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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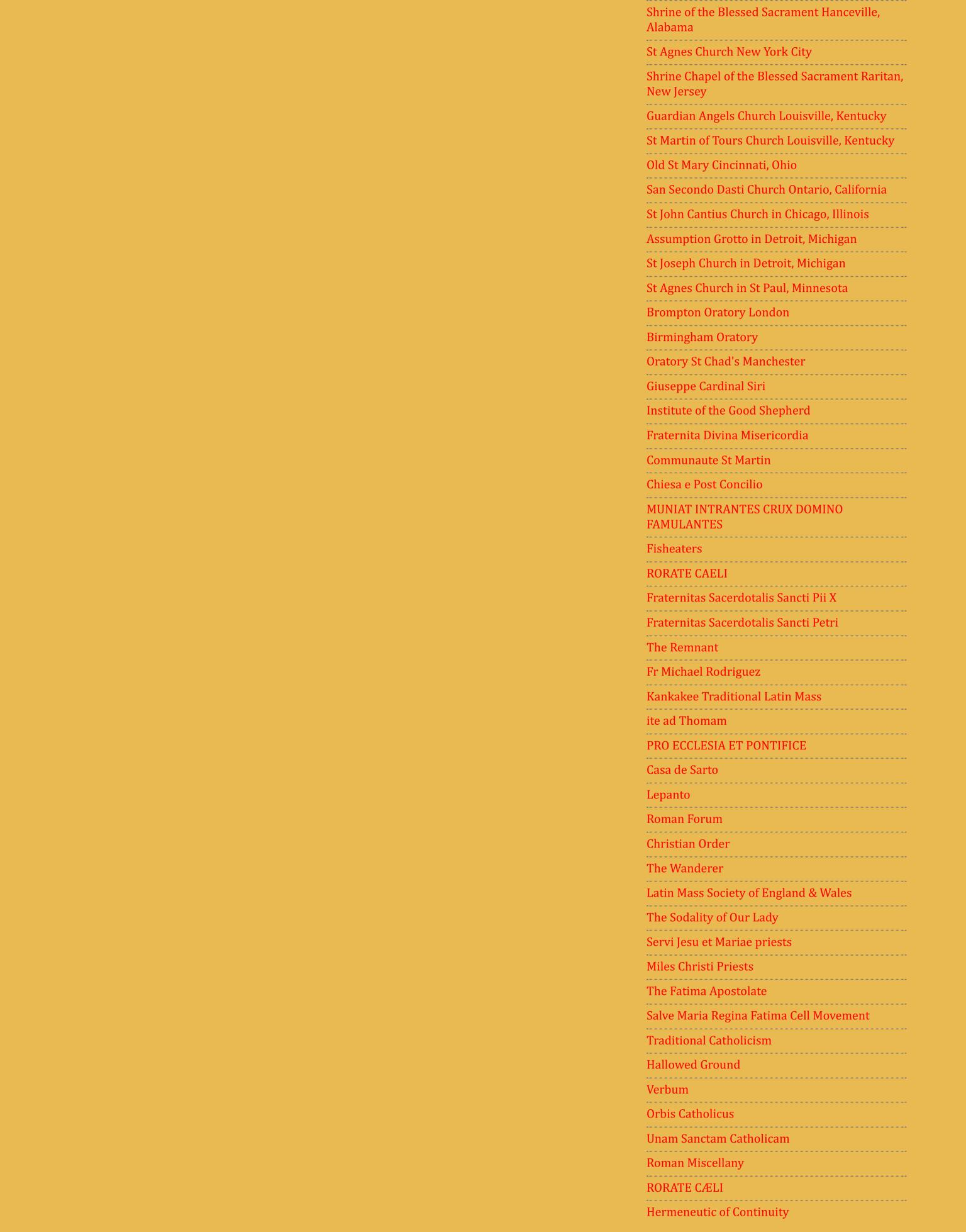


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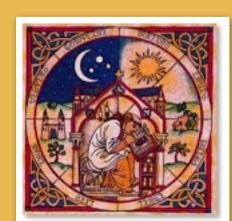
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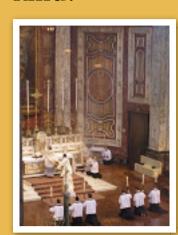
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'Evelyn Waugh Catholics' is there any other kind?



An English friend and colleague, the icon painter David Clayton, told me that when he first converted and began to attend Mass at London's extraordinary Oratory, some cradle Catholic warned him away from the place: "All you'll meet there," the fellow said, "are 'Evelyn Waugh Catholics.'" To which I answer, "Is there any other kind?" No doubt there are, in Yamoussoukro, or the mountain chapels of Bolivia. May God bless and keep them. But in the Englishspeaking world, I cannot imagine any properly formed Catholic who wouldn't feel deeprunning sympathy, right down to the clench of his gut, with Waugh's excruciated elegies to the remnants of a vanishing Christendom. Its melancholy, long, withdrawing roar is finally fading — and in England is daily



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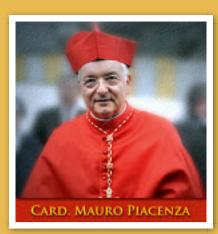
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there be, a pre-Conciliar Church and a post-Conciliar Church!"



"Renewal is always necessary for the Church, because the conversion of her members, poor sinners, is always necessary! But there cannot be, nor could there be, a pre-Conciliar Church and a post-Conciliar Church! If this could be so, the second one —ours—would be historically and theologically illegitimate!"

Coat of arms of Papa Francesco



Miserando atque eligendo (Latin: "by having mercy, by choosing him")

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PRAY FOR US!



PRAY FOR THE HOLY
FATHER! PRAY FOR
THE CONSECRATION
OF RUSSIA TO THE
IMMACULATE HEART
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Therese "Resl" Neumann Mystic and Stigmatist of Konnersreuth,

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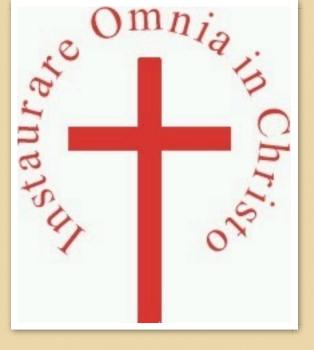
PRAYER FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF THERESE NEUMANN: Almighty God, our Father in Heaven, with infinite love You give us signs to stir our dull minds when we consider the lives of Your Saints. To recall our Lord's passion You granted Therese Neumann to bear his sacred wounds visibly on her body. You enabled her to see much of His life on earth in her visions. You allowed her to make amends for the sins of men by suffering with the Saviour. Likewise You reminded us of the lasting value of the Sacrifice of the Mass and the abiding presence of Christ Your Son in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar by permitting her to live for over 30 years solely through receiving the sacred host in daily Holy Communion! We beg to further distinguish Therese Neumann by granting our prayer to have her raised to the honors of the altar, that more people may through knowledge of her love for You and Your laws draw nearer to You. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN

Giuseppe Cardinal Siri (20 May 1906 – 2 May 1989)



"If the Church were not divine this Council (Vatican II) would have buried it." (Cardinal Siri)

Instaurare omnia in Christo: "Restoring" (not "Renewing") all Things in Christ



plinio corrêa de oliveira



Oliveira travelled to Rome for the opening session of Vatican II, describing it as "a point in history as sad as the Death of Our Lord" in which the Church was faced by the generalized, co-ordinated, and audacious action of its internal enemies. Oliveira was accompanied by members of the Brazilian TFP who brought twenty trunks of TFP literature.[7] During the first session of the Council Oliveira provided a secretariat which served Brazilian bishops Antônio de Castro Mayer and Geraldo de Proença Sigaud and other bishops of the traditional faction, who ultimately formed the Coetus Internationalis Patrum.[8] Oliveiera's opposition to the Council continued; in a 1976 addendum to his Revolution and Counter-Revolution, he described Vatican II as "one of the greatest calamities, if not the greatest, in the history of the Church".[9] His strong opposition led to him being described as a "revanchist" within the ultraditional faction.[10]

sancte michael archangele defende nos in proelio



Sáncte Míchael Archángele, defénde nos in proélio, cóntra nequítiam et insídias diáboli ésto præsídium. Ímperet ílli Déus, súpplices deprecámur: tuque, prínceps milítiæ cæléstis, Sátanam aliósque spíritus malígnos, qui ad perditiónem animárum pervagántur in múndo, divína virtúte, in inférnum detrúde. Ámen