

THE VICTORY IS COMING

By Graham Moorhouse (Inspired and adapted from an essay by Michael Matt, editor of the Remnant)

Away with the gloom and doom. There's plenty of reasons this new year to rejoice and be glad.

We've survived the COVID scandemic thus far, and it's beginning to look as though those driving the scandemic may give up before we do. We're aware, of course, that our friends in Australia are living through a full-blown Nazi resurgence, but they are also showing the world how to resist tyranny. Good on yer, mate, we're right behind you.



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Kneeling before the Child King of Bethlehem this Christmas has never seemed more natural. The prevailing chaos in the world today has made it all so clear: Christ truly is the Light of the World, the only Truth and the only Way. Traditional Catholics have been right all along: it is Christ or chaos.

Many traditionalist priests have doubled their congregations over the last year, whilst only about 55% of Novus Ordo Catholics have returned to Mass after the lockdown. No wonder the Pope himself has been finally forced to begin CPR on the Novus Ordo. *Traditionis Custodes* is merely hair growing on a corpse, signifying nothing. Pope Francis is like a combatant in defeat unleashing a nuclear bomb in one final act of desperation, only to witness it explode like a damp firework. And then when the dust has cleared, he finds those he deemed his enemies still standing and more numerous than ever. Francis will fail, just as Paul VI failed, because the Traditional Mass is not of this world, and Francis and his cabal are no match for God.

Francis of Rome, like Nero before him, believes that cruel persecution is the only way to defeat the Christians. Rome is burning from a fire Rome ignited, and Francis, like Nero, is again blaming the Christians. He's coming after our Mass and seeking to outlaw the traditional Sacraments. Further, he pretending that he is doing this in response

to requests from bishops¹, let there be no doubt, he is actually doing it on his own initiative. Evil and the lie are always closely entangled.

So why is Francis, the Globalist plant, trying to shut down the Traditional Mass? Because Francis is right - everyone knows that the “New Mass”, the “Novus Ordo”, bears no resemblance to the venerable Roman Rite of the Church. Because Francis is right - Vat2ism is a new religion; there is no hermeneutic of continuity. Because Francis is right - Traditional Catholics do indeed reject the novelties of Vatican II. Because Francis is right - the Traditional Mass does present an insurmountable obstacle to his Modernist Revolution. Thus traditional Catholics present a clear and present danger to the builders of the New World Order whose slave Francis is.

Traditionalists have been right all along, and Francis knows it. Because it is the Mass that matters, the Traditional Mass, the Mass of our forefathers, saints and martyrs, since our war is not against flesh and blood but Principalities and Powers, and the traditional Mass is the greatest spiritual barrier Hell has ever come up against. That’s why the Revolution went after the Mass in the first place, and that’s why Francis is going after it again.

But what does all this prove? It proves that no movement in history has ever been more wholly vindicated than the Traditional Catholic counter-Revolution. And now the future of the whole world depends on the Children of Light. Every Catholic should now know where this Revolution has been heading from the start. But they couldn’t break us, they couldn’t seduce us, and they couldn’t cajole or intimidate us into compliance. Revolutions come and go, but so long as a remnant perseveres, they must all ultimately fail. They thought they had succeeded 50 years ago but they failed, and they will fail again today.

Yes, the persecution of Christians is rising! But the persecution of Christians is a sign that the Revolution has failed, and that the enemies of the Cross must again resort to killing those they were unsuccessful in seducing with their lies? Tyrants only persecute those they fear and who are very much alive. We are alive, and with God’s help, many will live to see, even within the Church, the Revolution’s final days.

The whole world is witnessing what happens when the moral voice of Mother Church is silenced: a global graveyard of aborted babies, whole countries full of broken families, desolate cities of closed churches, mass apostasy, global lockdown, euthanized grandparents, and generations of suicidal children worshiping at the altars of the false gods of feminism, CRT², BLM, climate change, and an ubiquitous, depraved, sterile “sexuality.”

But remember what happened when just one bishop resisted them once before. He frustrated the Revolution for the next half century. When they tried to “excommunicate” him, they only succeeded in making him a hero. And from the grave he continues

¹ Remnant columnist, Diane Montagna, has proven that contrary to what Francis alleges, most bishops have not called for the end of the Traditional Mass.

² Critical Race Theory

to call tens of thousands to the side of Mother Church. We now have thousands of good priests fully prepared, if necessary, to go underground with us and become the new Vendéans, the new Cristeros, the new martyrs of Tyburn. And we now have many more than just one bishop - lead on, Your Excellencies!

The line in the sand is now clearly drawn, and there are only two fronts on this battlefield: the Children of Light -v- the Children of Darkness. God has made all things clear, and our choice has never been easier, so bring on the Great Reset and that towering babble of a New World Order - three generations of Traditional Catholics are now awake to what this has been about since the very beginning. We lived through the worst of it, which is why resisting Francis will be easy this time round, battle hardened as we are, and equipped with night vision and 20/20 hindsight.

We Traditional Catholics have been in training for this hour all our lives, and we know exactly what victory requires: it requires nothing more than keeping the Faith, no matter what the Modernists throw at us. Victory for us, dear friends, is merely to fulfil the purpose for which we were created: to know, love and serve God in this world and to be happy with him for ever in the next. That's it, that's all, and that's everything, especially since we have lived long enough to see what the alternative looks like: death, depravity, darkness, despair and defeat.

We now have millions of allies all over the world. And we have the promise and guarantee of a future: large families, the veritable embodiment of that future, while the globalists are as barren as barbed wire. They have but two "sacraments": abortion that murders their future, and sodomite "marriage" which foils its conception in the first place.

It is the greatest honour of our lives to stand with the Children of Light - the ones who never abandoned Christ, never gave up hope and who soaked up the worst the Revolution could throw at them ... and remain standing, defiant, and faithful to their baptismal promises.

We've made it through the darkest night, and there is now a glimmer of light in the East. We stand with Christ and His Blessed Mother, Rosaries in hand, waiting for the sunrise. Blessed be God forever, and every best wish for the new year to the Soldiers of Jesus Christ standing at the ready all over the world. We at The Flock are honoured and humbled to stand with you. Keep the Faith. Unite the clans. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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We are living through a moment of grace, God's grace is not just flowing, it's gushing in unequalled abundance. But you need eyes to see it. I truly believe that we may be at the dawn of the triumph of Our Lady's Immaculate Heart that was promised at Fatima.

On several occasions over the last decade or so, this knackered old war horse, with a few companions, has knelt facing the gates of hell armed only with his rosary. A moment later I have looked up to find that, seemingly from nowhere, we have been joined by an army of wonderful young Catholics.

I and a couple of elderly ladies used to pray every Sunday opposite the sodomite Masses in Warwick Street. One Sunday, a group of about thirty young people appeared

striding purposely towards us. They were all smartly dressed city types. My first thought was that we are in trouble, they have come to abuse us. But when they drew close they pulled out their rosaries and knelt on the pavement beside us. We bought them drinks in the nearest pub afterwards, it was an expensive but wonderful evening.

I also remember a prayer vigil outside the abortion clinic in Bedford Square. There were about 50 of us wrinkles and about 400 young Catholics. I will never forget a pretty teenager kneeling beside me praying her rosary. She had a middle aged pro-abort, his face contorted with ugly rage held six inches from hers, shouting, "Don't intimidate women!" in her face. If you wanted an example of irony, that one would be hard to better. She just continued praying her rosary as if he didn't exist. A few months later, the abortion clinic closed, and a Mass of thanksgiving was organized in the empty building.

I've recently seen a picture from 2019 of approximately 25 young trades on retreat at Douai Abbey. The following names are not their real names, but at the time of writing, I've learned that Peter is now a Redemptorist monk in Papa Stronsay, Scotland. Rita is a parish nun in Minneapolis, America. Valerie is a Eucharistic Adorer in Naples, Italy. Xavier is a novice with the Marian Franciscans in Gosport, England. David and Lawrence are seminarians in Tuscany. Whilst Donald, Harry, Charlie, Thomas, Michael and Francis are studying for the priesthood in Bavaria or the USA. Esther is a Carmelite in Birkenhead, England. Yasamin and Sachi are Benedictine nuns in Gower, USA (See picture at top of this article). Frances is a Franciscan Nun of the Immaculate in San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy. Sebastian will be joining the Marian Franciscans in Gosport this coming Easter. Sally is discerning her vocation with Adoring Sisters in Naples. Frances is discerning her vocation with the Lanherne Carmel and Tom is planning to join the Redemptorist in Scotland sometime around Easter. That's 20 young people out of the 25, all of whom are now, or soon will be, with traditional orders - and that is in just two years!

As I say, it's time to rejoice, it's a beautiful moment to be alive, notwithstanding the evil nonsense coming from Westminster and Rome, God's grace is not just flowing, it's gushing in incomparable abundance at this moment in history. Keep praying your daily rosaries friends, one can almost smell victory. At 82, I shall probably not live to see that victory, but I will die very happy in the knowledge that many I love will.

THE SAD CHRONICLE OF A WASTED LIFE

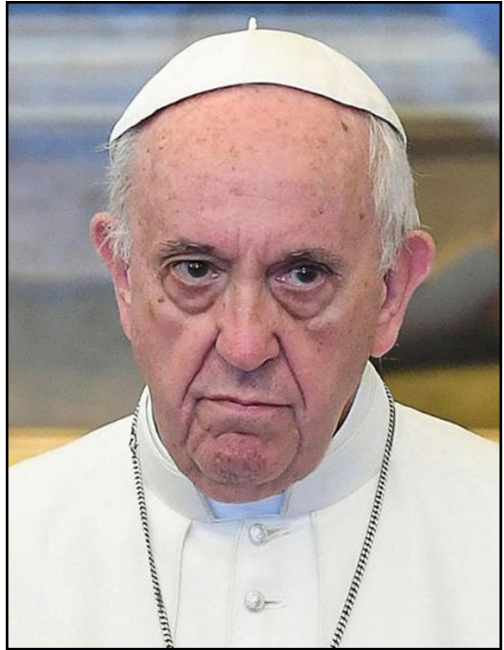
By Eck (pseudonym of Argentinean author) and copied from the Remnant website) - Our title

"Heavy is the head that wears the crown!" - W. Shakespeare, Henry IV, Part Two, Act 3, Scene 1

Francis's papacy is now in its last scenes, and sooner or later the curtain is expected to fall to bring this Tragedy to an end. In the meantime, we watch the unfolding of a plot which, fatally, is treading down in its advance Francis himself, his collaborators, and the life of the Universal Church, under its weight of madness, evil and folly. To para-

phrase the Swan of Avon, this is a tale acted out by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing ("*Macbeth, thou shalt be king.*").

The worst punishment that could have been thought of for a person like Bergoglio was the full attainment of his ambitions. Step by step, betrayal by betrayal, rung by rung, he climbed the ladder of ecclesiastical power, investing in it all his faculties and personality. No sooner arrived at one rank, his unbridled ambition conceived the move to the next, crushing all under its enormous weight, wreaking justice and right and sacrificing all that Earth and Heaven offered to swell the soul and body with true happiness. His spirit was urged on by the fateful voices of the wind that whispered power to his ear, and told him, pointing their bony fingers: "*Hail, Jorge, Provincial of the Jesuits; Hail, Jorge, Archbishop of Buenos Aires; Hail, Francis, Pope of Rome!*"



An eminently practical person, without glimmerings of insight or imagination, without hobbies or tastes, his intelligence yet moved nimbly over the fields of politics and manipulation of men. In that terrain, unhappily for him and for us, he was unrivalled and his genius could unfold all its wings for ever higher conquests: from Provincial to bishop, from bishop to Primate, from Archbishop of Buenos Aires to, finally, Pope in Rome after the fall of his hated competitor.

Those who underestimate Jorge Mario Bergoglio ought to reflect on the enormity of this adventure, which many have begun and few have finished. Nor should we forget that, if he has risen so high, it is because he is the living example of a whole generation of priests who have sucked dry the breasts of the post-Conciliar Church. An archetype of the dominant model of the clergy, how would they not exalt him, seeing themselves, each one, on the throne after him?

During that long journey marked out for him by his desires, he progressively deformed his soul, amputating essential aspects of the personality: pure action and mere potency. We do not know what there is at the centre of his person to impel him to commit that horrible act.

The first thing to fall, unlamented, was the contemplation of Truth and Beauty, judged as superfluous and without value. Next it was the turn of Justice and the other virtues, viewed as obstacles in his career. After that came the snuffing out of Charity, the dark-

ening of Faith and the corruption of Hope. What was left to him at last was the real little idol of his soul, pure Power.

When he arrived at the Throne of St Peter and his coronation, the summit of his desires, his transformation was complete, and nearly all his humanity, generosity and curiosity had been drained by his self-interested thoughts, deeds and decisions. He is the king, but he does not reign over himself, because he has no inner light to guide him through the labyrinth of life; nor do generous Truth, Good and Beauty walk with him: he is entirely soulless, heartless, a void in which the eternal cold of lovelessness grows forever, and his desert, icy soul has been left in blackness, like a night sky without stars and moon (*The night before Bosworth*).

The long dark night of your pontificate looms over you, and in the twilight hour appear the lengthened shadows of your victims. I mean the victims of your soul, psyche and intelligence. Now Power is yours and you can climb no higher, nor pass any further. But you have been late to discover, Bergoglio, that power is a term that by necessity has an object! It is yours now, but you do not know how to use it, and do not know even what it is for.

You are Hannibal, who conquered but do not know how to use your victory. A King Midas of Power, whose touch used to turn everything into a means of your ambition, now your ambition is left without a goal, an end without an end.

You destroyed Truth within your intelligence, and now your words are gone with the wind; you murdered the Beauty of your soul, and now your acts are so crude and mean that they lack even the infernal grandeur of Evil.

You murdered Good, and with that it becomes impossible to reach the stars and illuminate yourself and others with their light. Your lack of generosity, of selfless love for persons and things, is now claiming payment from you, and with compound interest. You did nothing for free, you will be given nothing for free, you reap what you sowed.

Without tastes, interests or friends, your soul is not fired by art, music, beautiful verses or well-told tales. What makes the happiness of men is closed to you, and what makes the happiness of the saints: the contemplation of God. Gaunt, hungry, purposeless, useless, you move like a top, turning round on yourself, harming yourself and harming others, the sad destiny of one whose life has no destiny or aspiration.

Like Gollum and in his image and likeness, you cling to the Ring of the Fisherman, crying like one possessed, through Santa Marta and its halls: *My treasure! My treasure!* You fear that it will be snatched from you, but at the same time it destroys you from within. Not for a moment do you think of sacrificing it for something great, generous, high, be it wrong or right, bringing you praise or derision. In egoism and solipsism³, you will die with it on the Mountain of History and will fade from history without trace, without anyone to remember you for anything great or good. Dust, noise, and nothingness will be your legacy.

³ Extreme egocentrism

The most wretched of men despairs, as power slips from his hands; like a madman he makes gestures without meaning, commands contradictions, speaks follies. Desperately you turn back to the tools that served you in your climb: theology of the people, Peronism, a gutted cult of Progress, because you never believed that they were anything more than instruments of power. You bow down before the idols of the day so as to give a content to your papacy, to give a content to your life.

Since the talent for construction is denied to you, you resort perforce to destruction. You are a papal Richard III, and what served you to scale the heights now hurls you down to the abyss. In this long night before the end, your memories appear to you, to cry out your crimes against you; they show you your true image and figure in the mirror of your deeds: Becciu⁴ displays your injustice; Benedict your lack of wisdom; Pell your hypocrisy, as you allowed the mafia to soil the Petrine See with its dirty deals; Viganò your despotism and your willing self-abasement to the slaves of the Prince of this world; the four cardinals of the Dubia show you your frivolity with the Treasure of Faith; the victims of Cor Orans⁵ and the Franciscans of the Immaculate show your hatred for the last end of man, the vision of God; *Traditionis Custodes* shows your hatred for what is great and beautiful; the hosts of martyrs, saints, doctors and popes insulted and vexed by you as you raise up heresy and idolatry; and last of all will rise up the memory of the one who was defamed, persecuted, punished, driven out of his house with his aged mother, and who died of grief for the injustice committed by you and your minions; Bishop Livières⁶, with whom you began with ill omen your baneful rule, showing your true face. Even the ancient pagans will accuse you, because they gave sentence after hearing the pleas and after the accused had been granted the right to defend himself (Acts, 25, 16), and you did not, you who are the successor of a saint condemned without guilt, and the representative of the Innocent One unjustly crucified.

God is not left with nothing, the High Justice of Him who rules his peoples with a rod of iron now drives you to the Fates with the whips of desperation and visits his punishments on the Church that has followed you in your misdeeds without rising in defence of Justice, of Law, of Faith and Charity, of Truth and Wisdom. The Eternal One is not mocked by any man, however high he thinks himself. And yet, He will not for-

⁴ Giovanni Angelo Becciu, an Italian prelate. Pope Francis made him a cardinal on 28 June, 2018. On 24 September 2020, he resigned the rights associated with the cardinalate. On 27 July 2021, a trial against him at a Holy See court opened. Becciu appeared in person in court and denied any wrongdoing. the trial was adjourned

⁵ "Cor Orans" ("Praying Heart"), a Vatican document that many believe seeks to destroy the contemplative women religious life in cloistered communities.

⁶ A Paraguayan bishop, many believe was persecuted by Rome on account of his outspoken orthodoxy.

get your ardent defence of the Most Holy Virgin on one occasion and your filial visits to the Immaculate and to the Salus Populi Romani⁷.

There remains therefore hope for Francis: not that he will straighten the paths of his pontificate but that he will attain that mercy that found a home in the heart of the thief St Dismas and of the sinner St Andrew Wouters⁸. Let us set aside the rancour, the disgust and the hatred we may have for him for his evil acts; we must begin to have mercy, pity and sorrow for him, because at bottom he is a wretch, who, for his own misfortune and to punish the enormous sins of the sinful members of the Church, has won what he most desired.

Let us try to repair through contemplation, prayer and charity all the harm and injury committed by this ill-starred pope. A bitter medicine which, nevertheless, is showing us all, high and low, the true evil that is corroding the Church and rotting its marrow. Numberless cancers which lurked unseen while they killed the supernatural life in silence have come to light in all their festering nature with Bergoglio and his entourage. Give thanks to God that what was hidden has been revealed, and that we can confront it if we possess sufficient holiness, courage and strength.

The hour is soon coming when neither charges nor praises nor reproaches will count for anything, when the sceptre will fall from the hand and the crown from the brow; power will fade like smoke in the air and fear will melt like snow. He who thought he could determine the future will no longer even be able to rule the present. Forgotten by those who served him in life, the warmth of their esteem will ebb with the warmth of his body as they turn to the new warmth of the rising sun. His ring will be crushed, and his successor's ring will be fashioned from it. At bottom, all of his life and end speaks to us of ourselves and of the dangers of centring our lives in ourselves: *Acta est fabula et de te narratur*⁹!

Then, as we pray for his eternal salvation and offer penance that he may gain the pardon that we all need, we shall be able to say: Farewell, Francis of Rome, Pope of sad destinies!

THE REAL ANTHONY FOUCI

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⁷ Salus Populi Romani is a Roman Catholic title associated with the venerated image of the Virgin Mary in Rome. This Byzantine icon of the Madonna and Christ Child holding a Gospel book

⁸ Wouters, born in 1542, was a priest who lived a very scandalous life and fathered many children. He died a martyr at the hands of Calvinists. Wouters' last words were "Fornicator I always was; heretic I never was." Wouters, and his fellow martyrs, were canonized by Pope Pius IX on June 29, 1867.

⁹ "The story is enacted and the story is about you."

Ask yourself one very simple question: how can it be that America - one of the wealthiest and most medically advanced countries on the planet - has a death rate from Covid of 2,509 per million, whereas Japan has a death rate from Covid of just 146 per million? Put another way: how can it be that for every *one* Japanese who dies from Covid, 17 Americans have died?

And then remind yourself that Dr Fauci has been in charge of the response to Covid in the USA from day one. And Dr Fauci has banned inexpensive, effective, early treatments like Hydroxychloroquine and Ivermectin to protect far more expensive drugs from which he and his cohorts earn royalties, whereas the Japanese have embraced these drugs, especially Ivermectin.

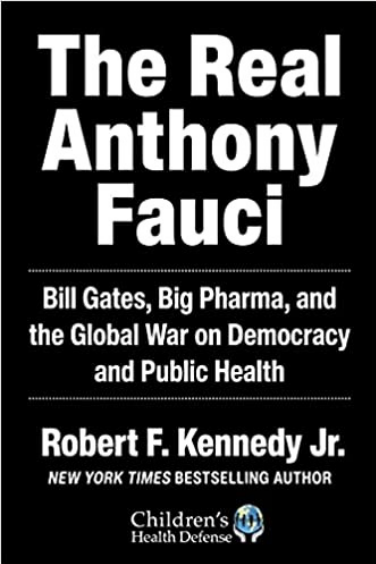
I am a traditional Catholic, and like all traditional Catholics my instincts have been telling me from early 2020 that something very sinister, even demonic, was behind the media driven mass psychosis around Covid-19.

Traditional Catholics, of course, were not the only people to smell a rat, as is obvious from the hundreds of thousands of good, friendly, freedom-loving people of all races and creeds protesting in cities across Europe. However, traditional Catholics are the only group I'm aware of who *unanimously* rejected the baloney from the word "go" - rejecting the advice of their bishops and even the Pope in so doing.

However, while I was convinced that there was something very fishy going on, I was unable to join up the dots in a way that made satisfying sense. This was extremely frustrating, it was like having a disgusting stench in one's home, but being unable to track down its source.

Robert Kennedy Jr's book, *The Real Anthony Fauci* (which I can't recommend more highly), has gone a long way to dispelling the fog. Robert Kennedy Jr is the son of Robert F. Kennedy, the American senator who was assassinated in June 1968, and the nephew of John F. Kennedy, the American president who was assassinated in November 1963. Robert Kennedy Jr has spent his working life as an environmental lawyer.

The first thing one needs to understand is that Dr Fauci, Bill Gates, the World Health Organisation (WHO), the "vaccine" manufacturers, the regulators and Big Pharma are all joined at the hip. And the cement that joins them is Mammon, i.e. greed, an amoral greed on a scale that could only be sustained, I believe, by psychopaths. They are basically an international drug cartel, and while a great deal more sophisticated than your typical South American drug cartel, they are every bit as ruthless when it comes to protecting their turf and profits.



Emergency Use Authorisation (EUA) was crucial for this cartel's plans for their "vaccines". If their new "vaccines" had to go through years of testing, there was no guarantee that at the end of that process there would be any significant market for their drugs - Furthermore, years of safety testing would cost billions.

To acquire EUA they needed two things: first up they needed a pandemic. Covid-19 did not fit the legal definition of a pandemic - it wasn't killing enough people - so the WHO quietly changed the legal definition of a pandemic. Note: Bill Gates is the second largest contributor to the WHO and is reportedly treated like royalty in their headquarters. Now, anything, even the common cold can be legally declared a pandemic. This made it possible for the WHO to declare Covid-19 - a disease with similar lethality to seasonal flu - a pandemic. Hurdle No: 1 overcome - tick.

Hurdle No 2: American law required that before a drug could be given EUA there had to be no other known effective treatments for the disease. The problem for the drug cartel was that there were effective treatments, Hydroxychloroquine and Ivermectin, to name but two. Ivermectin is like artificial birth control for viruses, it stops their ability to replicate. These two drugs are so safe that they are sold over the counter in many countries just like cough mixture is sold in the UK. Independent doctors world-wide were recording reductions of 80% and more in the hospitalization and death rate (already well below 1%) of Covid patients treated early with these drugs. If that was widely known, the drug companies could not obtain their EUA and would have lost billions. Hence Dr Fauci's and the mainstream media's demonizing of these two safe drugs. Hurdle No: 2 overcome - tick.

But it gets worse. In order to discredit these drugs the WHO set up clinical trails that were designed not only to fail, but to kill people. They gave Hydroxychloroquine to frail old people who were already hospitalized. These drugs prevent the virus replicating, so need to be used early - when you are already hospitalised with a massive viral load it is too late. But it gets even worse, they administered the drug in doses that were known to be lethal. It was the moral equivalent of giving 100 aspirins to a frail old lady to swallow, and when she died, declaring aspirin unsafe and banning its use. These people are not just liars, they are mass murderers.

There was one more hurdle to overcome: "vaccine" had a legal definition and the cartel's novel, experimental gene-therapies that had never been successfully tried before did not fit the definition. But mass marketing "a novel, experimental gene-therapy" would not have been easy. The answer, easy-peasy, instruct the WHO to quietly (i.e. surreptitiously) change the legal definition of a vaccine. Hurdle No: 3 overcome - tick.

Job done - let's start the tills clanking, and forget about the millions of lives lost because they had been denied early, effective, inexpensive, safe treatments.

As I said at the start, I cannot recommend Robert Kennedy Jr's book, The Real Anthony Fauci, highly enough. There is one small caveat: Robert Kennedy Jr is a Democrat, and like many Democrats suffers from Trump Derangement Syndrome, consequently, he couldn't resist having the occasional poke at Trump. Given that many, perhaps even most, of his readers are Trump supporters, this is a piece of self-indulgence

one would have hoped he would have had the good sense to forgo. He is also, it seems, a true believer in the global-warming scam. Nevertheless, none of this detracts in any way from the fact that his book is an absolute goldmine of information when it comes to understanding the Covid scam; it is also an easy read, and Kennedy presents his case with the clarity and clinical precision one would expect from a top-flight investigative lawyer.

Use this link to purchase it from Amazon: <https://amzn.to/32GwbhS>

The book is also available from PEEP's free lending library.

“THIS ATTEMPT WILL NOT SUCCEED. NOTHING WHICH IS IN CONFLICT WITH CATHOLICISM WILL BE ACCEPTED IN GOD’S CHURCH.”

[The following open letter (August 17, 2021) to Pope Francis was composed by the Dominican theologian, Fr Wojciech Gołaski O.P. and has been published already in Polish. Below is the English translation that was provided by the author to Rorate Caeli. It is a formidable critique of “Traditionis Custodes”, and is a magnificent document that deserves careful reading and indeed re-reading. It could well become the foundational document of the growing holy resistance to “Traditionis Custodes”. God has a way of raising up the right man for the hour. I believe that Fr Wojciech Gołaski OP could be just such a man. May God bless him! - ED]

Most Holy Father,

I was born 57 years ago and joined the Dominican Order 35 years ago. I took my perpetual vows 29 years ago and have been a priest now for 28 years. I had only vague recollections from my early childhood of the Holy Mass in its form predating the reforms of 1970. Sixteen years after my ordination, two lay friends (unknown to each other) urged me to learn how to celebrate the Holy Mass in its traditional form. I listened to them.

It was a shock to me. I discovered that the Holy Mass in its classical form:

- directs the entire attention of both priest and faithful towards the Mystery,
- expresses, with great precision of words and gestures, the faith of the Church in what is happening here and now on the altar,
- reinforces, with a power equal to its precision, the faith of the celebrant and of the people,
- does not lead either priest or faithful towards any invention or creativity of their own during the liturgy,
- places them, quite on the contrary, on a path of silence and contemplation,
- offers by the number and nature of its gestures the possibility of incessant acts of piety and love towards God,
- unites the priest and faithful, placing them on the same side of the altar and turning them in the same direction: *versus Crucem, versus Deum*.

I said to myself: so this is what the Holy Mass is! And I, a priest of 16 years, did not know it! It was a powerful *eureka*, a discovery, after which my idea of the Mass could not remain the same.

From the beginning it had struck me that this rite is the opposite of the stereotype. Instead of formalism, free expression of the soul before God. Instead of frigidity, the fervour of divine cult. Instead of distance, closeness. Instead of strangeness, intimacy. Instead of rigidity, security. Instead of the passivity of the laity, their deep and living connection to the mystery (it was through the laity, after all, that I was led to the traditional Mass). Instead of a chasm between priest and the faithful, a close spiritual union between all those present, protected and expressed by the silence of the Canon. In making this discovery it became clear to me: this very form is our bridge to the generations who lived before us and passed on the faith. My joy in this ecclesial unity which transcends all time was enormous.

From the beginning, I experienced the powerful force of spiritual attraction of the Mass in its traditional form. It was not the signs in themselves which attracted me, but their significance, which the soul knows how to read. The very thought of the next celebration filled me with joy. I sought every opportunity to celebrate with eagerness and longing. Very soon a complete certainty matured within me, that, were I to celebrate Mass (as well as every Sacrament and ceremony) only in its traditional form till the end of my days, I would not miss the post-Conciliar form in the least.

Had someone asked me to express with a single word my feelings about the traditional celebration in the context of the reformed rite, I would have replied “relief.” For it was indeed a relief, one of indescribable depth. It was like that of someone who, having walked all his life in shoes with a pebble in them that rubs and irritates his feet, but who has no other experience of walking, is offered, 16 years later, a pair of shoes with no pebble and the words: “Here,” “Put them on,” “try them!” Not only did I rediscover the Holy Mass, but also the astounding difference between the two forms: that which had been in use for centuries and the post-Conciliar one. I had not known this difference because I had not known the earlier form. I cannot compare my encounter with the traditional liturgy to a meeting with someone who has adopted me and has become my adoptive parent. It was a meeting with a Mother who has always been my Mother, yet I had not known her.

I was accompanied in all this by the blessing of the Supreme Pontiffs. They had taught that the missal of 1962 “had never been legally abrogated and remained therefore, in principle, always permitted,” adding that “what had been sacred for previous generations remained sacred and great also for us, and could not suddenly become completely forbidden nor even considered harmful. It behoves all of us to preserve the riches which have developed through the faith and prayer of the Church and to give them their proper place” (Benedict XVI, Letter to the Bishops, 2007). The faithful were also taught: “On account of its venerable and ancient use, the *forma extraordinaria* is to be maintained with the honour due to it”; it has been described as “a precious treasure to be preserved” (Instruction *Universae Ecclesiae*, 2011). These words followed earlier documents which made it possible for the faithful to use the traditional liturgy after the

reforms of 1970, the first being *Quattuor abhinc annos* of 1984. The foundation and source for all these documents remains the Bull of Saint Pius V, *Quo primum tempore* (1570).

Holy Father, if, without forgetting the solemn document of Pope Pius V, we take into consideration the lapse of time covering the declarations of your immediate predecessors we have a duration of 37 years, from 1984 to 2021, during which the Church said to the faithful, concerning the traditional liturgy, and ever more strongly: “There is such a way. You may walk along it.”

I therefore took the path offered to me by the Church.

Whoever takes this road - whoever wants this rite, which is the vessel of divine Presence and divine Oblation, to bear fruit within his own life - should open himself entirely so as to entrust himself and others to God, present and acting within us through the vessel of this holy rite. This I did, with complete confidence.

Then came the 16th of July 2021.

From your documents, Holy Father, I learnt that the path I had been walking on for 12 years had ceased to exist.

We have affirmations of two Popes. His Holiness Benedict XVI had said that the Roman Missal promulgated by Saint Pius V “must be considered the extraordinary expression of the *lex orandi* of the Catholic Church of the Roman Rite.” Yet His Holiness Pope Francis says that “the liturgical books promulgated by Popes St. Paul VI and St. John Paul II (...) are the only expression of the *lex orandi* of the Roman Rite.” The affirmation of the successor thus denies that of his still-living predecessor.

Can a certain manner of celebrating Mass, confirmed by immemorial, centuries-old Tradition, recognized by every Pope, including yourself, Holy Father, until the 16th of July of 2021, and sanctified by its practice over so many centuries, suddenly cease to be the *lex orandi* of the Roman Rite? If this were the case, it would mean that such a characteristic is not intrinsic to the rite but is an external attribute, subject to the decisions of those who occupy places of high authority. In reality, the traditional liturgy expresses the *lex orandi* of the Roman Rite by its every gesture and every sentence and by the whole that they compose. It is guaranteed also to express this *lex orandi*, as the Church has always held, on account of its uninterrupted use, since time immemorial. We must conclude that the first papal affirmation [of Benedict] has solid foundations and is true and that the second [of Francis] is groundless and is false. But despite its being false, it is nevertheless given power of law. This has consequences about which I will write below.

Concessions regarding the use of the Missal of 1962 now have a different character than earlier ones. It is no longer about responding to the love with which the faithful adhere to the traditional form, but about giving the faithful time - how much time, we are not told - to “return” to the reformed liturgy. The words of the *Motu Proprio* and your Letter to the Bishops make it entirely clear that the decision has been taken, and is already being implemented, to remove the traditional liturgy from the life of the Church and cast it into the abyss of oblivion: it may not be used in parish churches, new groups

must not be formed, Rome must be consulted if new priests are to say it. The bishops are now indeed to be *Traditionis Custodes*, “custodians of Tradition,” yet not in the sense of guardians who protect it, but rather in the sense of custodians of a jail.

Allow me to express my conviction that this will not happen, and that the operation will fail. What are the grounds for this conviction? A careful analysis of both Letters of July 16th exposes four components: Hegelianism, nominalism, belief in the Pope’s omnipotence, and collective responsibility. Each one is an essential component of your message and none of them can be reconciled with the deposit of the Catholic faith. Since they cannot be reconciled with the faith, they will not be integrated into it either in theory or in practice. Let us examine each of them in turn.

1) Hegelianism. The term is a conventional one: it does not mean literally the system of the German philosopher Hegel, but something that derives from this system, namely the understanding of history as a good, rational, and inevitable process of continuous changes. This way of thinking has a long history, from Heraclitus and Plotinus, to Joachim of Fiore, down to Hegel, Marx, and their modern heirs. The characteristic of this approach is to divide history into phases, such that the beginning of each new phase is joined to the end of the preceding one. Attempts to “baptize” Hegelianism are nothing other than attempts to endow these supposed historical phases with the authority of the Holy Spirit. It is assumed that the Holy Spirit communicates to the next generation something that He has not spoken of to the preceding one, or even that He imparts something that contradicts what He has said before. In the latter case, we must accept one of three things: either in certain phases the Church failed to obey the Holy Spirit, or the Holy Spirit is subject to change, or He carries contradictions within Him.

Another consequence of this world-view is a change in how we understand the Church and Tradition. The Church is no longer seen as a community uniting the faithful by transcending time, as the Catholic faith holds, but as a set of groups belonging to the various phases. These groups no longer have a common language: our ancestors had no access to what the Holy Spirit says to us today. Tradition itself is no longer one message that is continuously studied; it consists rather in receiving again and again new things from the Holy Spirit. We then come to hear instead, as in Your Letter to the Bishops, Holy Father, of “the dynamic of Tradition,” often with an application to specific events. An example of this is when you write that this dynamic’s “last stage is the Second Vatican Council, during which Catholic bishops gathered in order to listen and discern the way shown to the Church by the Holy Spirit.” This line of reasoning implies that a new phase requires new liturgical forms, because the former ones were suited to the previous stage, which is over. Since this sequence of stages is sanctioned by the Holy Spirit, through the Council, those who hold on to the old forms despite having access to new ones oppose the Holy Spirit.

Such views, however, are contrary to the faith. Holy Scripture, the norm of Catholic faith, provides no grounds for such an understanding of history. Rather, it teaches us an altogether different understanding. King Josiah, having learned about the discovery of the old book of the Law, ordered that the celebration of Passover be conducted in accordance with it, despite an interruption of half a century (2 Kgs 22-23). In the same

way, Ezra and Nehemiah on their return from the Babylonian captivity celebrated the Feast of Tabernacles with the entire people, strictly according to the ancient records of the Law, despite many decades having passed since the previous celebration (Neh 8). In each case, the old documents of the law were used to renew the divine worship after a period of turmoil. No one demanded a change in the ritual on the ground that new times had arrived.

2) Nominalism. While Hegelianism influences one's understanding of history, nominalism affects one's understanding of unity. Nominalism implies that introducing outward unity (by means of a top-down administrative decision) is equivalent to achieving real unity. This is because nominalism abolishes spiritual reality by seeking to grasp and regulate it with material measures. You write, Holy Father, that: "It is to defend the unity of the Body of Christ that I am forced to withdraw the faculty granted by my predecessors." But to reach this goal, true unity, your predecessors made the opposite decision, and not without reason. When one understands that true unity includes something spiritual and internal, and thus differs from mere external unity, one no longer seeks it simply by uniformity of external signs. We do not obtain true unity in this way, but rather, impoverishment, and the opposite of unity: division.

Unity does not result from the withdrawal of faculties, the revocation of consent, and the imposition of limitations. King Rehoboam of Judah, before deciding how to treat the Israelites, who wished him to improve their lot, consulted two groups of advisors. The older ones recommended leniency and a reduction of the people's burdens: age, in Holy Scripture, often symbolises maturity. The young, who were contemporaries of the king, recommended increasing their burdens and the use of harsh words: youth, in Scripture, often symbolises immaturity. The king followed the advice of the young. This failed to bring unity between Judah and Israel. On the contrary, it started the division of the country into two kingdoms (1 Kgs 12). Our Lord healed this division through mildness, knowing that the lack of this virtue had caused the split.

Before Pentecost, the apostles assessed unity by external criteria. This approach was corrected by the Saviour Himself, who, in reply to the words of St. John: "Master, we saw a man driving out evil spirits in your name, and we did not let him do it, because he was not one of us," answered "Let him do so, for he who is not against you is with you" (Lk 9,49-50, cf. Mt 9,38-41). Holy Father, you had many hundreds of thousands of the faithful who "were not against" you. And you have done so much to make things difficult for them! Would it not have been better to follow the words of the Saviour indicating a deeper, spiritual foundation of unity? Hegelianism and nominalism frequently become allies, since the materialistic understanding of history leads to the conviction that each stage must irrevocably end.

3) Belief in the Pope's omnipotence. When Pope Benedict XVI granted greater freedom to the use of the classic form of liturgy, he referred to a centuries-old custom and *usus*. These provided a solid basis for his resolve. The decision of Your Holiness is based on no such foundations. On the contrary, it revokes something that has existed and endured for a very long time. You write, Holy Father, that you find support in the decisions of St. Pius V, but he applied criteria which are exactly the opposite of your

own. According to him, what had existed and lasted for centuries would continue undisturbed; only what was newer was abrogated. The sole basis left for your decision is therefore the will of one person endowed with papal authority. Can this authority, though, however great it may be, prevent ancient liturgical customs from being an expression of the *lex orandi* of the Roman Church? Saint Thomas Aquinas asks himself whether God can cause something which once existed, never to have existed. The answer is no, because contradiction is not part of God's omnipotence (*Summa Theologiae*, p. I, qu. 25, art. 4). In a similar way, papal authority cannot cause traditional rituals that have expressed the faith of the Church (*lex credendi*) for centuries, suddenly, one day, no longer to express the law of the prayer of the same Church (*lex orandi*). The Pope may make decisions, but not ones that violate a unity which extends to the past and to the future, far beyond the duration of his pontificate. The Pope is at the service of a unity greater than his own authority. For it is a God-given unity and not one of human origin. It is therefore unity which takes precedence over authority, and not authority over unity.

4) Collective responsibility. Indicating the motives of your decision, Holy Father, you make various and grave allegations against those who exercise the faculties recognised by Pope Benedict XVI. It is not specified, however, who perpetrates these abuses, or where, or in what number. There are only the words “often” and “many.” We do not even know whether it is a majority. Probably not. Yet not a majority, but all those who make use of the above-mentioned faculties have been affected by a draconian penal sanction. They have been deprived of their spiritual path, either immediately or at some unspecified future time. There are certainly people who misuse knives. Should the production and distribution of knives therefore be banned? Your decision, Holy Father, is far more grievous than would be the hypothetical absurdity of a universal prohibition against making knives.

Holy Father: why are you doing this? Why have you attacked the holy practice of the ancient form of celebrating the Most Holy Sacrifice of Our Lord? The abuses committed in other forms, widespread or universal though they are, lead to nothing beyond words, to declarations expressed in general terms. But how can one teach with authority that “the disappearance of a culture can be just as serious, or even more serious, than the disappearance of a species of plant or animal” (*Laudato si* 145), and then a few years later, with a single act, destine a great part of the Church’s own spiritual and cultural heritage to extinction? Why do the rules of “deep ecology” formulated by you fail to apply in this case? Why did you not instead ask whether the constantly growing number of the faithful assisting at the traditional liturgy could be a sign from the Holy Spirit? You did not follow the advice of Gamaliel (Acts 5). Instead, you struck them with a ban that had not even a *vacatio legis*¹⁰.

The Lord God, the model for earthly rulers and, in the first place, for church authorities, does not use His power in this way. Holy Scripture speaks thus to God: “For thy

¹⁰ *Vacatio legis* is a technical term in law which designates the period between the announcement of a legislation and its entering into force.

power is the beginning of justice: and because thou art Lord to all, thou makest thyself gracious to all (...) But thou being master of power, judgest, and with great favour disposest of us: for thy power is at hand when thy wilt” (Wis 12, 16-18). Real power does not need to prove itself by harshness. And harshness is not an attribute of any authority which follows the divine model. Our Saviour Himself left us a precise and reliable teaching on this (Mt 20, 24-28). Not only has the carpet been pulled, so to speak, from beneath the feet of people who were walking towards God; an attempt has been made to deprive them of the very ground they walk on. This attempt will not succeed. Nothing which is in conflict with Catholicism will be accepted in God’s Church.

Holy Father, it is impossible to experience the ground under one’s feet for 12 years and suddenly assert that it is no longer there. It is impossible to conclude that my own Mother, found after many long years, is not my Mother. Papal authority is immense. But even this authority cannot make my Mother cease to be my Mother! A single life cannot bear two mutually exclusive ruptures, one of which opens a treasure, whilst the other claims that this treasure must be abandoned because its value has expired. If I were to accept these contradictions I should no longer be able to have any intellectual life, nor, therefore, any spiritual life either. From two contradictory statements, any affirmation, true or false, may be made to follow. This means the end of rational thinking, the end of any notion of reality, the end of effective communication of anything to anyone. But all these things are basic components of human life in general, and of Dominican life in particular.

I have no doubts about my vocation. I am firmly resolved to continue my life and service within the Order of St Dominic. But to do so I must be able to reason correctly and logically. After the 16th of July 2021 this is no longer possible for me within the existing structures. I see with complete clarity that the treasure of the holy rites of the Church, the ground under the feet of those who practice them, and the mother of their piety, continues to exist. It has become equally clear to me that I must bear witness to it.

I have been left no choice now but to turn to those who from the very beginning of the radical changes (changes, let it be noted, that go far beyond the will of the Second Vatican Council) have defended the Tradition of the Church, together with the Church’s respect for the requirements of reason, and who continue to pass on the unchangeable deposit of Catholic faith to the faithful: the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Pius X. The SSPX has shown a readiness to accept me, whilst fully respecting my Dominican identity. It is providing me not only with a life of service to God and the Church, a service not impeded by contradictions, but also with an opportunity to oppose those contradictions which are an enemy to Truth, and which have attacked the Church so vigorously.

There is a state of controversy between the SSPX and the official structures of the Church. It is an internal dispute within the Church, and it concerns matters of great importance. The documents and the decisions of the 16th of July have caused my position on this subject to converge with that of the SSPX. As in the case of any important dispute, this one too must be resolved. I am determined to devote my efforts towards

this end. I intend this letter to be part of this effort. The means used can only be a humble respect for Truth, and gentleness, both springing from a supernatural source. Thus we can hope for the solution of the controversy and the rebuilding of a unity that will embrace not only those living now but also all generations, both past and future.

I thank you for the attention you have granted to my words and beg, Most Holy Father, for your apostolic blessing.

With filial devotion in Christ,

Fr. Wojciech Gołaski, O.P.

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- Rev. Superior of the House in Jamna, Andrzej Chlewicki OP
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- Rev. Superior of the Polish District of the Fraternity of St Pius X, Karl Stehlin FSSPX
- *Omnnes quos res tangit* (To all whom the matter concerns)

**VIGANÒ ON THE “RESPONSA AD DUBIA” OF TRADITIONIS CUSTODES
by Carlo Maria Viganò, Archbishop, In Nativitate Domini 2021**

*You are those who justify yourselves
before men :*

*God however knows your hearts :
for that which is exalted to men,
is an abomination before God. - Lk
16 :15*

In reading the *Responsa ad Dubia* recently published by the Congregation for Divine Worship, one wonders to what abysmal levels the



Roman Curia could have descended to have to support Bergoglio with such servility, in a cruel and ruthless war against the most docile and faithful part of the Church. Never, in the last decades of a very serious crisis in the Church, has ecclesiastical authority shown itself to be so determined and severe: it has not done so with the heretical theologians who infest the pontifical universities and seminaries; it has not done so with fornicating clergy and prelates; it has not done so in punishing in an exemplary way the scandals of Bishops and Cardinals. But against the faithful, priests and religious who

only ask to be able to celebrate the Tridentine Holy Mass, no pity, no mercy, no *inclusivity*. *Fratelli tutti*¹¹?

Never as under this “pontificate” has the abuse of power by authority been so perceptible, not even when two thousand years of *lex orandi* were sacrificed by Paul VI on the altar of Vatican II, imposing on the Church a rite as equivocal as it is hypocritical. That imposition, which included the prohibition of celebrating in the ancient rite and the persecution of dissenters, had at least the alibi of the illusion that a change would perhaps improve the chances of Catholicism in the face of an increasingly secularized world.

Today, after fifty years of terrible disasters and fourteen years of *Summorum Pontificum*, that feeble justification is not only no longer valid, but it is repudiated in its inconsistency by the evidence of the facts. All the new things that the Council brought have proven harmful; it has emptied churches, seminaries and convents; it has destroyed ecclesiastical and religious vocations; it has drained all spiritual, cultural and civil impulse from Catholics; it has humiliated the Church of Christ and confined it to the margins of society, making it pathetic in its clumsy attempt to please the world. And vice-versa, ever since Benedict XVI tried to heal that *vulnus* by recognizing full rights to the traditional liturgy, the communities linked to the Mass of St. Pius V have multiplied, the seminaries of the *Ecclesia Dei* Institutes have grown, vocations have increased, the frequency of the Faithfull’s attendance has increased, and the spiritual life of many young people and many families has found an unexpected impetus.

What lesson should have been drawn from this “experience of Tradition” invoked at the time also by Msgr. Marcel Lefebvre? The most obvious and at the same time the simplest lesson of all: what God has given to the Church is destined for success, and what man adds to it collapses miserably. A soul not blinded by ideological fury would have admitted the mistake made, trying to repair the damage and rebuild what had been destroyed in the meantime, restoring what had been abandoned. But this requires humility, a supernatural gaze and a trust in God’s provident intervention. This also requires the awareness on the part of Pastors that they are stewards of the Lord’s goods, not masters: they have no right to alienate these goods, nor to hide them nor to replace them with their own inventions; they must limit themselves to guarding them and making them available to the faithful, *sine glossa*, along with the constant thought of having to answer before God for every sheep and every lamb of His flock. The Apostle admonishes: “*Hic iam quaeritur inter dispensatores, ut fidelis quis inveniatur*” – “Here now it is required among the dispensers, that a man be found faithful” (1 Cor 4:2).

The *Responsa ad Dubia* are consistent with *Traditionis Custodes*, and clarify the subversive nature of this “pontificate,” in which the supreme power of the Church has been usurped in order to obtain a purpose diametrically opposed to that for which Our Lord constituted in authority the Sacred Pastors and His Vicar on earth. It is a power that is indocile and rebellious against the One who instituted it and who legitimizes it, a power

¹¹ *Fratelli tutti* was the third encyclical of Pope Francis, subtitled "on fraternity and social friendship".

that is believed in *fide solutus*, so to speak, according to an intrinsically revolutionary and therefore heretical principle.

Let us not forget: the Revolution claims to itself a power that justifies itself by the mere fact of being revolutionary, subversive, conspiratorial and antithetical to the legitimate power it intends to overthrow; a power which as soon as it comes to fill institutional roles is exercised with tyrannical authoritarianism, precisely because it is not ratified either by God or by the people.

Permit me to point out a parallel between two apparently disconnected situations. Just as in the face of the pandemic, effective treatments are denied with the imposition of a useless “vaccine” that is actually harmful and even lethal, so also the Tridentine Mass, the true medicine of the soul, has been culpably denied the faithful at a moment of very serious moral pestilence, replacing it with the *Novus Ordo*. Doctors are failing in their duty, although treatments are readily available, and are instead imposing on the sick as well as the healthy an experimental serum, stubbornly administering it despite the evidence of its total ineffectiveness and its many adverse effects.

Similarly priests, who are doctors of the soul, are betraying their mandate, although an infallible “drug” is readily available which has been tested for over two thousand years, and they are doing everything to prevent those who have experienced its effectiveness from using it to heal from sin.

In the first case, the body’s immune defences are weakened or cancelled in order to create chronically ill patients who will be dependent on the pharmaceutical companies; in the second case, the immune defences of the soul are compromised by a worldly mentality and by the cancellation of the supernatural and transcendent dimension, so as to leave souls helpless in the face of the assaults of the devil. And this is valid as a response to those who claim to face the religious crisis without considering the social and political crisis in parallel with it, because it is precisely the two-pronged nature of this attack that makes it so terrible and reveals that it is being guided by one same criminal mind.

I do not want to go into the merits of the deliriums of the *Responsa*: it is enough to simply know the *ratio legis*¹² to be able to reject *Traditionis Custodes* as an ideological and partisan document, drawn up by vindictive and intolerant people, full of vain ambition and gross canonical errors, with the intention of prohibiting a rite canonized by two thousand years of Saints and Pontiffs and in its place imposing a spurious one, copied from the Lutherans and patched up by the modernists, which in fifty years has caused a terrible disaster to the ecclesial body and which, precisely because of its devastating effectiveness, cannot permit any exceptions. Here there is not only fault: there is also malice and the twofold betrayal of the Divine Lawgiver as well as the faithful.

Bishops, priests, religious and laity find themselves once again having to make a choice of side: either with the Catholic Church and its two-thousand-year-old and immutable doctrine, or with the Conciliar and Bergoglian Church, with its errors and its secular-

¹² The reason for the law

ized rites. And this happens in a paradoxical situation in which the Catholic Church and her counterfeit coincide in the same Hierarchy, which the faithful feel they must obey as an expression of God's authority and at the same time they must disobey as treacherous and rebellious.

It's true that it is not easy to disobey the tyrant: his reactions are ruthless and cruel; but much worse were the persecutions that had to be suffered over the centuries by Catholics who found themselves having to face Arianism, iconoclasm, the Lutheran heresy, the Anglican schism, Cromwell's Puritanism, the Masonic secularism of France and Mexico, Soviet communism, communism in Spain, in Cambodia, in China.

How many bishops and priests martyred, imprisoned, and exiled. How many religious massacred, how many churches desecrated, how many altars destroyed. And why did all this happen? Because the Sacred Ministers did not want to renounce the most precious treasure that Our Lord has given us: the Holy Mass. The Mass that He taught the Apostles to celebrate, that the Apostles transmitted to their Successors, that the Popes have guarded and restored, and that has always been at the centre of the infernal hatred of the enemies of Christ and of the Church. To think that the same Holy Mass, for which missionaries sent to Protestant lands or priests imprisoned in the gulags risked their lives, is today forbidden by the Holy See is a cause of pain and scandal, as well as an offense to the Martyrs who defended that Mass to the last breath. But these things can only be understood by those who believe, who love, and who hope. Only by those who live by God.

Those who limit themselves to expressing reservations or criticisms of *Traditionis Custodes* and of the *Responsa* fall into the trap of the adversary, because by doing so they recognize the legitimacy of an illegitimate and invalid law, desired and promulgated in order to humiliate the Church and her faithful, to spite the "traditionalists" who dare to do nothing less than oppose heterodox doctrines condemned up until Vatican II, which it made its own and which today have become the cipher of the Bergoglian pontificate. *Traditionis Custodes* and the *Responsa* must simply be ignored, returned to the sender. They must be ignored because it is clear that their intention is to punish Catholics who remain faithful, to disperse them, and to make them disappear.

I am dismayed at the servility of so many Cardinals and Bishops, who in order to please Bergoglio trample on the rights of God and the souls entrusted to their care, and who make a point of showing their aversion for the "preConciliar" Liturgy, considering themselves deserving of public commendation and Vatican approval. The Lord's words are addressed to them: "You consider yourselves just before men, but God knows your hearts: that which is exalted before men is detestable before God" (Lk 16: 15).

The coherent and courageous response in the face of a tyrannical gesture of ecclesiastical authority must be resistance and disobedience to an inadmissible order. Resigning oneself to accepting this umpteenth oppression means adding another precedent to the long series of abuses tolerated up to now, and by one's own servile obedience making oneself responsible for the maintenance of a power as an end in itself.

It is necessary the Bishops, the Successors of the Apostles, exercise their sacred authority, in obedience and fidelity to the Head of the Mystical Body, in order to put an end to this ecclesiastical coup that has taken place before our eyes. The honour of the Papacy requires it, which today is exposed to discredit and humiliation by the one who occupies the Throne of Peter. The good of souls requires it, whose salvation is the *suprema lex* of the Church. The glory of God requires it, with respect to which no compromise is tolerable.

The Polish Archbishop Msgr. Jan Paweł Lenga has said that it is the moment for a Catholic counter-revolution, if we do not want to see the Church sink under the heresies and vices of mercenaries and traitors. The promise of *Non praevalerunt* does not exclude courageous and firm action in the least; on the contrary, it asks and demands such action from Bishops and priests, and also from the laity, who never as today have been so treated as subjects, despite the fatuous appeals to *actiosa participatio* and to their role in the Church. Let's take note: *clericalism* has reached its apex under the "pontificate" of the one who hypocritically does nothing but stigmatize it.



SOME APPOSITE COMMENTS BY CATHOLIC THEOLOGIANS

Thomas Cardinal Cajetan (1469–1534): “You must resist, to his face, a pope who is openly tearing the Church apart.”

Francisco de Vitoria (1483–1546): “If the Pope by his orders and his acts destroys the Church, one can resist him and impede the execution of his commands.”

St. Robert Bellarmine (1542–1621): “As it is lawful to resist the pope, if he assaulted a man’s person, so it is lawful to resist him, if he assaulted souls, or troubled the state, and much more if he strove to destroy the Church. It is lawful, I say, to resist him, by not doing what he commands, and hindering the execution of his will.”

Sylvester Prierias (1456–1523): “He [the pope] does not have the power to destroy; therefore, if there is evidence that he is doing it, it is licit to resist him. The result of all this is that if the pope destroys the Church by his orders and acts, he can be resisted and the execution of his mandate prevented. The right of open resistance to prelates’ abuse of authority stems also from natural law.”

Francisco Suárez (1548–1617): “If the Pope lays down an order contrary to right customs one does not have to obey him; if he tries to do something manifestly opposed to

justice and to the common good, it would be licit to resist him; if he attacks by force, he could be repelled by force, with the moderation characteristic of a good defence.”

ELON MUSK SAYS POPULATION COLLAPSE, NOT EXPLOSION, IS BIGGEST THREAT

Tesla CEO and billionaire Elon Musk has said the biggest threat facing the world is population collapse, not explosion.

The entrepreneur described the notion that we have too many people on the planet as an “outdated view”, and said the shortage of people in the future will be not be checked by immigration.

Birth rates in the developing world have been falling fast for decades, and most western countries including almost all of Europe have fertility rates below the replacement level required of 2.1 children per woman.

Musk’s statement will come as a shock to many who have been constantly bombarded with doom-laden warnings about population explosions harming the planet.

The famed innovator, who made his first fortune with PayPal and is listed by Forbes as one of the world’s most powerful people, made his comments in a live-streamed debate with Alibaba Group Chairman Jack Ma at the August 29 World Artificial Intelligence Conference in Shanghai. Both billionaires agreed that the birth rate ‘problem’ was one of too few people rather than too many. “Most people think we have too many people on the planet, but actually this is an outdated view,” said Musk.

“Assuming that AI (artificial intelligence) is fine — we’re assuming there’s a benevolent future with AI — I think the biggest problem the world will face in 20 years is population collapse,” he added.

He then doubled down on his claim: “Collapse: I want to emphasize this. The biggest issue in 20 years will be population collapse, not explosion, collapse.”

The Alibaba chairman agreed with Musk saying: “I absolutely agree with that, the population will be facing a huge challenge.”

China brutally enforced a one-child policy for decades with serious negative effects on population growth and balance – and the male to female ratio is seriously skewed in many of the country’s rural areas in particular, as parents choose baby boys over baby girls.

Musk said the “accelerating collapse” will not be able to be checked by immigration.

“The common rebuttal is: ‘Well, what about immigration?’” he said.

“Like from where?” he added, presumably recognising that more than half of the countries in the world have fertility rates below the replacement rate.

Population growth is seen as essential to economic growth, and many demographers are now talking about the problems of a demographic winter.

In particular, the ratio of older to younger people will mean serious issues not just for pensions but for elder care and wellbeing.

Musk's statements are in sharp contrast to other billionaires such as Warren Buffett and Bill Gates who have pumped billions into population control measures.

COVID-19 TREATMENT GUIDELINES

Some good news: there are now a couple of consortiums of physicians who, horrified with the criminal ineptitude of the response of governments, the World Health Organization and their own professional bodies to this disease, have joined together to provide direct help to individuals and families.

There are a couple of the guides that you can now download for free. Both guides are excellent, and there are links to them both below:

Guide No: 1 (Dr Tess Lawrie, MD, PhD - UK)

LINK: <https://bit.ly/3EQvXCX>



This first guide is published by the World Council for Health (headed up by England's Dr Tess Lawrie, MD, PhD).



My advise would be to download both guides, but that said, the English one, (the first one above) is the easier of the two for the layman to digest. The 2nd guide (linked at the bottom of this article) I believe, is intended more for physicians.

Getting these guides into the hands of as many people as possible could also help hasten the end of this fake pandemic.

It would be inappropriate, and I suspect illegal for me, not being a state licensed physician, to give you medical advice. However, there is nothing preventing me giving you a précis of the information contained in the above two guides.

If you believe you may have Covid-19 both guides suggest the same basic four-pronged response.

1 Respond early by attacking the virus from day one. This is common sense. If you are being invaded by an alien force, why would you want to hang about until your enemy has all his troops and equipment ashore? The weapon of choice here

is Ivermectin. Ivermectin is like artificial contraception for viruses. It stops or inhibits the virus replicating in your body. The dose recommended is .2 mg per kilo of body weight. This means that most people need something in the order of 12mg per day.

Ivermectin can be imported from a company called GenericCures that operates out of India. There may be other sources, but this is the one of which I am aware. Whilst I hate promoting woke corporations like PayPal, I nevertheless strongly recommend you use PayPal to pay them - your bank will charge a ridiculous sum to transfer money into an Indian bank. Unfortunately, it can take a fortnight to get your hands on it, so it is best to order it before you fall ill and keep it in your medical cabinet. One hundred 12mg tablets (probably sufficient for yourself, family and friends) will set you back about £85.

2 One of the ways Covid-19 injures and kills is by causing inflammation in vital organs. Inflammation can be controlled and stopped by the over-the-counter medication Ibuprofen. The safe dosage will be on the packet.

3 This is very important: one of the main ways Covid-19 injures you, including permanently, and kills, is by causing blood clots (incidentally, this is also true of the “vaccines”). Again the chances of this happening can be dramatically reduced with another readily available over-the-counter medication: Aspirin (full strength). Again, the safe dosage will be on the packet.

4 Fortify your immune system. The main three things needed on this front are apparently Vitamin “D”, Zinc and Vitamin “C”. All three of these are readily available online. The recommended dosages are set out below. Note: you don’t have to wait until you are ill before you think about fortifying your immune system.

- Vitamin “D” - 5,000 IU daily
- Zinc - 50mg once daily (Note: 200mg Zinc Sulphate tablets will provide approximate this amount of active Zinc)
- Vitamin “C” - 1,000 mg twice daily

The above is just a brief summary of what these guides contain, but I strongly recommend that you download the guides for yourself and your family, particularly the guide published by Dr Tess Lawrie, MD, PhD and her colleagues. Guide No 2, the American guide, I feel is more aimed towards medical professionals.

Even Better News

PEEP has had a thousand of Dr Tess Lawyers guild printed and these are free to Flock readers. You just need to contact us and request copies. Having this in your library, and the library of your family members and friends could make a massive difference to your chances of not being hospitalized with Covid. Remember that for every Japanese who died from Covid, seventeen Americans died, and the only difference that I can find is that Japan made drugs like Ivermectin readily available, while Fauci banned them in America.

Both guides are jam packed with useful information, of which the above is merely a taster. These guides could keep you and your loved ones out of hospital, and out of the

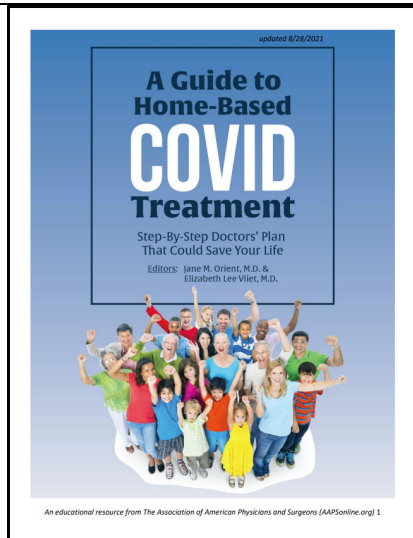
hand of those doctors who are happy to prostitute their noble calling to become government flunkies and worst, pimps for Big Pharma.

Guide No: 2 (Dr Peter A. McCullough, MD - USA)

LINK: <https://aapsonline.org/CovidPatientTreatmentGuide.pdf>



The second is published by The Association of American Physicians and Surgeons founded in 1943 (AAPSonline.org) and has the Texan, Dr Peter A. McCullough, MD, MPH, FACP, FACC, FCCP, FAHA, FNKF, FNLA, FCRSA, as its Consulting Editor.



**A LION OF ACADEMIA CONFRONTS CARDINAL CUPICH.
CUPICH INVOKES "THE SPIRIT"**

by Christopher A. Ferrara (February 16, 2018)

In the aftermath of my column on the outrageous excursus of Cardinal Blase Cupich at Cambridge on the many “paradigm shifts” he pretends Pope Francis can foist upon the Church, an article at Life Site News reports that Cupich was confronted in the very lecture hall by John Rist, a renowned Catholic philosopher and *emeritus* professor at the University of Toronto. Dr. Rist’s book *Real Ethics* is a landmark in the critique of natural law theories that vainly attempt to do away with God as their foundation.

As Life Site reports, “After listening to a February 9 lecture at Cambridge University in which Cardinal Cupich praised Pope Francis’ ‘paradigm shift’ in Catholic practice, Rist asked the Cardinal at the end of the lecture why Pope Francis ‘mercilessly’ insults and eliminates his doctrinal opponents.”

Dr. Rist’s carefully framed question is worth quoting in full:

“Your Eminence,

In view of your account of the sunny, caring and holistic features of Pope Francis’ revolution of mercy – described disturbingly by the leaflet for this meeting and by your Eminence as a ‘paradigm shift’ in the presentation of Catholicism – and of the Pope’s call for free and frank discussion of his challenging proposals and policies, I would

like to ask why Pope Francis acts so mercilessly in insulting and eliminating doctrinal opponents:

- Cardinal Burke removed from the leadership of the Roman Rota;
- Three loyal priests from the CDF dismissed without explanation, followed by the abrupt termination of Cardinal Mueller himself;
- The denial of a Cardinal's hat to the much loved champion of the unborn, Archbishop Chaput;
- The removal of most of the original members of the Academy for Life;
- The apparent selling-down the river of Cardinal Pell, who may have been framed;
- And more recently the banishment from Rome of the Professor of Patristics at the Lateran and editor of the challenging book *Remaining in the Truth of Christ*;

The list goes on and on, but I stop there to ask again whether harsh actions of this sort - combined with the well-documented rigging of the Synod on the Family - indicate that the Pope's 'paradigm shift' should be recognized as an attempt - under cover of offering solutions to genuine social problems in Western society - to impose on the Church radical changes of doctrine, developed not by laity but largely in Germany by a group of relativist Hegelian theologians?"

The utter absurdity and mendacity of the "paradigm shift" having been laid bare before him, Cupich did what all the proponents of such nonsense do: invoke "the Spirit," that all-purpose Gnostic facilitator of the ruinous post-Vatican II novelties in the Church. Quoth Cupich: "Do we really believe that the Spirit is no longer guiding the Church?"

Notice the avoidance of the traditional term *Holy Spirit*. Not even Cupich, it seems, can bring himself explicitly to attribute to the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity the current Pope's approval of the admission of public adulterers to Holy Communion. One wonders what sort of "Spirit" would contradict the teaching of Francis' own immediate predecessors, who in turn affirmed the bi-millennial doctrine and discipline of the Church.

Dr. Rist was one of the contributors to *Remaining in the Truth of Christ*, "the defense of Catholic teaching that was 'intercepted' at the Synod on the Family." He is emblematic of rising lay opposition to the course of this pontificate in the face of a cowering or complicit hierarchy not unlike the hierarchs in the epoch of the Arian crisis, when (to quote Saint Jerome) "the whole world groaned and marvelled to find itself Arian."

As Rist told Life Site: "I regard this papacy as a disaster and Bergoglio as possibly - because of his tampering with established doctrine - as possibly the worst pope we have ever had. Cupich's attempt to defend him [at Cambridge] was itself dependent on misrepresentations, the evading of legitimate questions, and in at least one case - that of my charge of the Synod on the Family being rigged - of downright lying. I was teaching in Rome at the time, and contributed to *Remaining in the Truth of Christ*, so I know about what happened firsthand."

Dr. Rist rightly observes that “It is the function of the Pope to provide unity in the Church by scrutinizing new ideas to see if they are compatible with the inherited *regula fidei* [rule of faith]. Instead of unity Pope Francis has caused massive confusion and division – and many sad clergy are afraid of being sanctioned if they speak out.”

Any honest Catholic observer of our situation would have to agree with Rist’s conclusion: “The whole thing amounts to a heresy on the scale of the Arian heresy. That took some 60 years to sort out. I fear that this set of moral heresies may last even longer.”

It may well last longer. But end it will, just as the Arian crisis ended. And with that ending - by means of the Consecration of Russia - will come the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as the Church demonstrates once again that not even her own wayward leadership can make vain the promise of Christ that the gates of hell would never prevail against her, even if the Adversary has his momentary victories over much of the Church’s human element.

US MILITARY DOCTORS ON VACCINE INJURIES

1,000 percent increase in neurological issues

By Graham Moorhouse (Developed from a article in the WorldTribune.com - published 26/01/2022

Whilst governments and the mainstream media keep churning out propaganda to the effect that the Covid “vaccines” are safe, and one is irresponsible not to get “vaccinated”, there is a growing wealth of information online that makes it abundantly clear that this is simply not true.

Probably the best source of hard data is the US military. Whilst there are a number of vaccine adverse effects reporting systems for civilians, they all have one very big defect: they are all voluntary. There is widespread agreement that, because of their voluntary nature, less than 10% of adverse events are recorded. The US military recording system gets around this problem. Every soldier, sailor or airman who reports to a military doctor is allocated a code that represents his condition. and this is all stored in a central database, so can be accessed and analysed by those with the time and skill.

Military whistleblowers are protected by US law. Three whistleblower doctors in the U.S. military (Dr Samuel Sigoloff, Dr Peter Chambers, and Dr Theresa Long) have revealed shocking data on Covid “vaccine” safety to a Jan. 24 Senate hearing chaired by Wisconsin Republican Sen. Ron Johnson.

Using the previous five year average as a baseline, the numbers were similar over the five years, including 2020, which was the first year of the pandemic (so-called) but before the vaccines were distributed. But then in 2021, the numbers skyrocketed. And the 2021 data doesn’t include the months of November and December 2021:

- 1,000 percent increase in diagnosis codes in the military for neurological issues (strokes, headaches, migraine, paralysis, etc.). Diagnosis codes for neurological issues increased from a baseline average of 82,000 to 863,000.
- A 300 percent increase in miscarriages (The five-year average was 1,499 miscarriages per year, but during the first 10 months of 2021, it was 4,182). Some public health officials speculate that COVID itself places women at higher risk

for miscarriages, but the number of miscarriage codes recorded in 2020 was actually slightly below the five-year average (1,477).

- A 300 percent increase in cancer diagnoses since the Covid vaccines were distributed. The military doctors reported a five-year average of 38,700 per year prior to the vaccine distribution. That number jumped to 114,645 in the first 11 months of 2021.
- Myocardial infarction –269% increase,
- Bell's palsy – 291%.
- Increase Congenital malformations (for children of military personnel) – 156% increase.
- Female infertility – 471%.
- Increase Pulmonary embolisms (blood clots in the lungs) – 467% increase.

All these codes are for ailments and injuries that medical literature has established as potentially/likely adverse effects of the “vaccines.”

The doctors spoke to Daniel Horowitz, a reporter for Blaze (an online news service). They explained that they were motivated to explore the data because of the number of cases they were personally seeing. They spoke of their grave concern with seeing young soldiers with sudden metastatic cancers, auto-immune diseases, and heart and circulatory disorders following “vaccination”.

TOSSING PEBBLES INTO A LAKES

Whether a two-year-old child tosses a pebble into the middle of a lake, or the king of England does it, or the pope in Rome, the ripple will spread just as far. Remember this whenever the Devil whispers to you that you are too small, or too unimportant, to make a difference.

The truth of the above was brought home to me recently on two occasions. A therapist serving a village in Kent contacted me via a mutual friend to thank PEEP for publishing our recent booklet, *A Sin Against Prudence (20 Reasons Why I Won't Be Accepting Their Experimental Covid "Vaccine")*. She explained that it was a great help to her when seeking to persuade her patients to avoid the “vaccine”. I in turn thanked God for another doctor more concerned about the welfare of her patients than about money and mindlessly following the agenda of the Masonic new world order.

A few days later I related this story to a good friend who is a physician working in one of the big London hospitals. “Can you give me her contact details?” he asked. Apparently he is at the centre of a group of British doctors seeking to build a network of like minded physicians, similar to what has been happening in many other parts of the world.

The second occasion: a Flock reader sent our booklet, *A Sin Against Prudence (20 Reasons Why I Won't Be Accepting Their Experimental Covid "Vaccine")*, to a friend in America. The friend in America gave his copy to his son who was a pilot and a union rep for Southwest Airline. A couple of weeks later Southwest Airline pilots came out on strike against the airlines “vaccine” mandate. This quickly bought the airline to

its knees, they had to cancel literally thousands of flights; the management quickly climbed down and withdrew the “vaccine” mandate.

Was our booklet instrumental in that strike by airline pilots on the other side of the Atlantic and their subsequent victory? I have no idea, but it is absolutely possible. As I say, when you drop a pebble into a lake, you have no idea where the ripples might end up.

**THERE IS ONE SMALL THING THAT EVERYONE CAN DO TO RESIST
THIS TYRANNY**

You owe it to your children and your grandchildren to refuse to be tested under any circumstance. If you submit for whatever reason to this test, you are helping drive the cruel totalitarianism of the globalists forward.

Testing is the main weapon in the globalists’ arsenal that is being used to create their fake pandemic by claiming to find disease in perfectly healthy people. And the number of cases that are found by this dishonest and meaningless test in healthy individuals is the main weapon that governments are using to shut us down, destroy the economy, take away our freedoms, and impose their dangerous “vaccinations” program on us.

So lets be absolutely clear about this: there is one small thing that absolutely everyone can do to resist this tyranny, and that is to refuse to submit to testing.

FROM THE MAIL BOX

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Dear Graham - Thank you so much for continuing your wonderful apostolate and publishing the Flock despite some of the appalling consequences you have to suffer as a result

It is so important for us all to be informed of the truth in these dark and difficult times.

I enclose a small donation and may God bless you and your family and keep you safe. Yours sincerely,

Margaret McDermott (York)

“What a “stonking” edition”

Dear Graham - What a “stonking” edition. Are there any clerical leaders in our country? It can be a lonely place. O would like 10 extra copies of the Autumn edition. I enclose a donation. God bless you. St Michael pray for you.

Pauline McAllister (Co. Durham)

“I’m pleased to see the reference to the message of Our Lady of Fatima”

Dear Mr Moorhouse - Thank you for continuing to send us the Flock. I enclose a small donation of £XX.xx towards your expenses.

I'm pleased to see the reference to the message of Our Lady of Fatima on page 16 of the Autumn issue. In that regard, I enclose herewith a copy of the CTS booklet Fatima, the Family and the Church, that was published in May. I wrote the introduction, and my colleague in the World Apostolate of Fatima, Donal Foley, compiled the Prayers and Devotions in the second part.

I wrote the study primarily as the father of five children, and grandfather of eight, in my concern for the salvation of their souls and those of catholic families today that face so many threats in society, to try and encourage people to live Our Lady's message so as to obtain her guidance and protection, and for their sanctification.

I would be pleased if you would like to recommend this work to your readers. With best wishes and prayers for your work. Sincerely yours in Christ.

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