

O.L.F. Year For The Eucharist June 20, 2010 - June 19, 2011

Morality and Policy

Hello everyone. Welcome to the Vortex .. where lies and falsehoods are trapped and exposed .. I'm Michael Voris.

As America and most of the western world sink deeper and deeper into the quicksand of financial insolvency .. one major cause of the meltdown .. in fact .. perhaps THE major cause of the financial disaster has gone largely unreported.

Sure there is corporate greed. But as long as there have been corporations .. there has been corporate greed.

And yes .. the Clinton White House and his social engineering band of democratic cronies in Congress ordered banks to make housing loans to people who really didn't have much of a chance to repay them.

And yes .. unreasonable real estate speculation sent property values to stupidly high and unsustainable levels. But what never gets talked about because it would be practically the most politically incorrect thing that someone could ever say is this .. the financial chaos in the west is owing largely to the single issue of **abortion**.

In the US alone .. close to 60 million citizens .. consumers are not alive today .. buying, selling, earning incomes, paying taxes etc.

60 million .. with no end in sight. If it were not for immigration .. much of it illegal .. America's population would be declining.

No wonder the democrats and their socialist-minded buddies want to hand out citizenship papers to illegal immigrants .. they need to compensate for the effects of their disastrous abortion policies. A five year old could understand this. All things being equal .. the less people you have .. the lower your total Gross Domestic Product will be. Right now .. America is missing nearly \$40 trillion dollars worth of GDP since Roe v. Wade in 1973.

The last two generations of Americans are missing one-third of their generational brothers and sisters. The population equivalent of 19 states has been murdered .. 19 states and zeroing in on 20. 60 million people NOT buying homes .. cars .. educating their children .. buying cell phones .. texting each other .. buying video games and on and on.

And now lawmakers think after almost 40 years of destroying a third of future generations .. that they can be clever enough to pull some rabbit out of the hat and solve the problem.

The biggest abortion cheerleader of them all .. Obama thinks the situation is to just tell his pals at the Federal Reserve .. which by the way is nothing more than a private banking cartel .. it has nothing to do with the Federal Government despite its deceptive name .. he thinks he can just say "hey guys, run off a few more trillion of those dollars bills."

Think about the stupidity of all this for a just a moment .. big picture time. Lawmakers in order to get elected .. pander to an increasingly sexualized electorate that wants to have sex with no consequences ..



no responsibility. So lawmakers pass laws and support court decisions which uphold this kind of immoral behavior. As the behavior increases .. the nation becomes more and more numb to any real sense of personal morality. How can anyone seriously claim to have a conscience when they aren't engaged in trying to stop child-killing?

Voters increasingly vote for candidates who promise them the good life with no personal responsibility or sacrifice required. A vicious cycle sets in where all anyone cares about is their own self-interest and in the area of sex .. that means killing one-third of all children conceived.

Every year that goes by .. the native population has fewer and fewer people around. Oh sure there's growth in the numbers for a while because it takes a while for all these numbers and statistics to work their way through a culture.

So after decades of killing off future workers and future consumers and future students .. national and state leaders stand around helpless to understand how to fix the problem of shrinking budgets owing to less revenue from taxes collected on fewer workers AND having to pay out more for entitlement programs for a population growing older because there are fewer young people around .. because so many of them have been murdered by the state-sanctioned policy of abortion .. child murder as its more truthfully known.

What's the take away – the one salient point. Bad morality makes bad economic policy. Just think of all the brainpower .. the ingenuity .. the contribution to the arts .. engineering .. science .. law .. finances .. all of that PLUS the economic ruin which follows in the wake .. all lost so people can have sex without consequences.

“... what a wonderful day in the neighborhood.”

DAY	MONTH	DATE	TIME	EVENT
SUN	MARCH	20	01:30 PM	Showing of DVD -The Song of Bernadette - Free at St. Stan's.
FRI	APRIL	01	8:00 PM	Nocturnal Adoration Society meets at Sacred Heart, 6th Ave at 20th St.
WED	APRIL	06	4 - 6 PM	O.L.F. Stuffed Shells full dinner for take-out
FRI	APRIL	08	See Ad	Polish Meatless Lenten Meal + Irish Entertainment



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The "Contraceptive Mentality"

The "contraceptive mentality" often directs and informs the moral aspects of a person's life. Like most severe ideologies, it is a sterile way of thinking that disregards evidence conflicting with one's belief system, thus leading to erroneous conclusions and destructive behavior. It ignores long-term consequences as it attempts to deal with short-term needs or situations. It eventually becomes habitual, and is very difficult to overcome because it is defined by a framework of unspoken (and usually poorly considered) assumptions that "everyone knows are true."



Dr. Brian Clowes,
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Research

Most children at a certain point become aware of the fact that their parents use contraception. The teens realize that their parents have separated the sexual act from procreation; why shouldn't they do the same?

Catholic children rarely, if ever, hear from their priests that the use of contraception is a mortally sinful and physically dangerous act. Clearly, a great deal of the responsibility for the spread of the contraceptive mentality lies at the feet of the clergy. Young people see contraceptive advertising everywhere. Sex education classes in the public schools cover contraception, or at least one side of the story, in detail. The message is subtly but relentlessly drilled into their young heads: "Contraception is an essential part of the modern lifestyle. Everyone is doing it!"

Young married (or, many times, unmarried) couples become accustomed to using contraception, and eventually see it as absolutely indispensable to their lifestyle.

The contraceptive mentality spreads not only through a person's soul, but also through an entire society if it is allowed to do so, as we see in dying Europe and in Japan, where the fertility rate is well below the replacement level.

The root of the problem is simple to identify. The marital act has two purposes: babies and bonding. If either the unitive (bonding) or the procreative (making babies) aspect of the marital act is discarded, the other is irreparably damaged, and the very purpose and promise of both the act and the marriage itself remains unfulfilled.

If the procreative aspect of marriage can be discarded, why not the unitive? Everywhere it is accepted, legalized divorce follows the widespread acceptance of contraception. After divorce is introduced then we can see the legalization of abortion. This in its own turn is followed by the infanticide of disabled infants. And euthanasia, or "mercy killing" of the elderly and seriously disabled, is not far behind.

If the procreative aspect of the marital act can be discarded, it matters not who is united with whom. So we see today a push in the Western world for homosexual "marriage," where two men or two women may get "married" to each other. For people who accept contraception as a "right," it becomes particularly difficult to debate these anti-natural unions.

The point we must learn is clear: We can only contain evil by teaching people to be virtuous; we cannot defeat evil by simply ignoring virtue and trying to suppress the consequences of man's evil acts with technology.

The God Who creates is the God Who reveals, so there can be no conflict between science and the Catholic Faith. This means that the teachings of the Church harmonize with the objective findings of science, including human psychology.

So it is no surprise that those who adhere to the Natural Law are much happier than those who do not. It is true that denying oneself a particular good, for a particular reason -- say, periodic abstinence within marriage for serious reasons -- is difficult, but over time, people who live by the law of God and nature find that they are happier, more content and free of worry.

This principle manifests itself in many ways. For example, people who abstain from sex before marriage and remain faithful and fruitful after have a divorce rate of about three to six percent; while more than half of those couples who are sexually active before marriage and use contraception will get divorced.

Our fundamental mission is to establish the Culture of Life by "making disciples of all nations." We cannot do this by simply eliminating something that is evil; we must bring it about by embracing what is fundamentally good -- in this case, human fertility.

Evangelization for the Culture of Life, by both priests and people, is no longer just a great good. It is a necessity, if we are to survive.

*The following editorial having been written some time ago, it was so satisfying on several different levels to attend with our converts and their sponsors the Cathedral celebration of the Call to Continuing Conversion last Sunday evening. A high point was when the entire congregation sang (in **Latin** and English) the beautiful Laudate, Laudate Dominum.*

Question : Is it true that the Church did away with the use of Latin in the Mass?

Answer: No. The use of the term **Latin Mass** is not specific enough. There is one Mass of the Latin Rite, the Mass published in Latin by Paul VI in 1969 according to the norms of the Second Vatican Council. Any other language is a translation of that "typical edition" of the Roman Missal. So, the official Mass text of the Latin Rite, which we currently use in English, is and will always be, in Latin. (This is not the same as the so-called Tridentine Mass, where the Missal of Pope John XXIII is used.)

Masses here at Our Lady of Fatima are said in the vernacular (English) but include some Latin, in accordance to the current norms of the Missal of Pope Paul VI (otherwise known as the Novus Ordo). The Second Vatican Council desired the retention of Latin as the ritual language of the Roman Rite. In 1963, The Second Vatican Council indeed allowed the use of the vernacular (mother language) to be used in the sacraments and parts of the liturgies, such as the readings, homilies, and some of the prayers. However, the Council stated that "Particular law remaining in force, the use of the Latin language is to be preserved in the Latin rites".

Following the Council the Holy See followed up with subsequent implementing documents encouraging bishops and priests to continue to promote the use of Latin in the liturgies. For example, on October 16 1964, the Congregation of Rites said that "Pastors of souls shall carefully see to it that the faithful... also know how to say or to sing together in the Latin language those parts of the Ordinary of the Mass which pertain to them, especially with the use of simpler melodies.

Some bishops asked Paul VI that the entire Mass be said in the vernacular, Pope Paul VI granted this, but continued to insist on the people being able to pray the "ordinary parts" (that is, those that remain the same in every Mass, such as the dialogues "Dominus vobiscum" "Et cum spiritu tuo," Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Pater Noster, Sanctus, Agnus Dei etc.) in Latin and also according to the simple Gregorian chant modes.

In 1974, Pope Paul VI added the following reminder to his exhortation that [even though] vernacular languages should have a suitable place in liturgical celebration: **"It should be arranged that the faithful can say or sing together in Latin those parts of the Ordinary of the Mass that belong to them."**

In 1975, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) was published. In there it stated that, "Since the faithful from different countries come together ever more frequently, it is desirable that they know how to sing at least some parts of the Ordinary of the Mass in Latin, especially the profession of faith and the Lord's Prayer, set to simple melodies."

In more recent years the question as to the importance of the use of Latin during Mass led the Holy Father, **John Paul II** to address the needs of the United States, when he spoke to American bishops who were in Rome, he said, "The use of the vernacular has certainly opened up the treasures of the liturgy to all who take part, but this does not mean that the Latin language, and especially the chants which are so superbly adapted to the genius of the Roman Rite, should be wholly abandoned.

Pope Benedict XVI has further exhorted bishops and priests to preserve the use of Latin during Masses, so as to pass on to the next generation the tradition of the Church. "In order to express more clearly the unity and universality of the Church, I wish to endorse the proposal made by the Synod of Bishops, in harmony with the directives of the Second Vatican Council, that, with the exception of the readings, the homily and the prayer of the faithful, it is fitting that such liturgies be celebrated in Latin. Similarly, the better-known prayers of the Church's tradition should be recited in Latin and, if possible, selections of Gregorian chant should be sung. Speaking more generally, I ask that future priests, from their time in the seminary, receive the preparation needed to understand and to celebrate Mass in Latin, and also to use Latin texts and execute Gregorian chant; nor should we forget that the faithful can be taught to recite the more common prayers in Latin, and also to sing parts of the liturgy to Gregorian chant."

Thus, from the Council to the present, the Magisterium of the Church has had the consistent intention to preserve the use of Latin in the Mass of the Roman Rite, even when offered in the vernacular. In this way the patrimony of the Latin Rite is preserved by its use in the unchanging parts, quite few in number and easy to memorize, while the prayers particular to each liturgy are accessible to the faithful in their own language.

MONEY MATTERS

First Sunday of Lent (March 13, 2011)

205 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$2,478.15 of which \$249.00 accounted for visitor contributions.

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Mon. 3/21

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer and their Caregivers

Feast

Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Mass

Theresa McCall, Colleen Sheehan

4:00 PM

New Time for The Fatima Rosary for Peace

Tues. 03/22

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases and their Caregivers

Feast

Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Mass

Frances Kasun, Clara Tomlinson

4:00 PM

New Time for The Fatima Rosary for Peace

Wed. 3/23

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis and their Caregivers

Feast

Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Mass

Phyllis Mosney, Paul & Adaline Cassarly

4:00 PM

New Time for The Fatima Rosary for Peace

Thur. 03/24

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders and their Caregivers

Feast

Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Mass

Peggy Joyce, Joe & Jana Crossman

4:00 PM

New Time for The Fatima Rosary for Peace

Fri. 03/25

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders and their Caregivers

Feast

The Annunciation of the Lord

8:00 AM Mass

Victoria Niewola, Helen & Ernest Tomassetti

4:00 PM

New Time for The Fatima Rosary for Peace

6:00 PM

Stations of the Cross

Sat. 03/26

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes and Obesity and their Caregivers

Feast

Third Sunday of Lent

4:30 PM Mass

Ernest "Bill" Winklbauer, Helen Watters and Family

5:30 PM

The Fatima Rosary for Peace

Sun. 03/27

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions and Obesity and their Caregivers

Feast

Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM Mass

Michael S. Galant, Stan, Sue and Family

11:00 AM Mass

For the Intention of the conflict worn relatives and friends of our brothers and sisters of the Saint Minus Egyptian Coptic Community, The People of Our Lady of Fatima Parish

5:30 PM

The Fatima Rosary for Peace

*Our Lady of Fatima Pleaded That we pray the Holy Rosary Daily
At O.L.F. before each Mass and at 4:00 P.M., Mon - Fri*