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Archbishop Vigneron: No Communion for Catholics Who Support Same-Sex Marriage!

"A Catholic Cannot Say, I Believe The Church Offers The Saving Truth Of Jesus, And Then Reject What The Church Teaches!"

Detroit Free Press (edited) April 10, 2013

By, Naraj Warkioo – Detroit professor and legal adviser to the Vatican says Catholics who promote gay marriage should not try to receive Holy Communion, a key part of Catholic identity.



And the archbishop of Detroit, Allen Vigneron, told the Free Press Sunday that Catholics who receive Communion while advocating gay marriage would "logically bring shame for a double-dealing that is not unlike perjury."

The comments of Vigneron and Edward Peters, who teaches Catholic canon law at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit, are part of a polarizing discussion about gay marriage that echoes debate over whether politicians who advocate abortion rights should receive Communion.

In a post on his blog last week, April 16, Peters said that Catholic teachings make it clear that marriage is between one man and one woman. And so, "Catholics who promoter 'same-sex marriage' act contrary to "Catholic law" and should not approach for Holy Communion, "he wrote." They also risk having Holy Communion withheld

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Medjugorje -The Sign?

101 Times #85 – Dr. Turton, Author

In Medjugorje, phenomenon have been extraordinary for 32 years! When we go on pilgrimage there, we walk to the huge metal risen Christ, and with our handkerchiefs, many people collect the tear-like fluid which almost continually exudes from the right knee of the statue.



Vicka

Vicka and the Sign

Not long ago, Father Livio, who hosts a radio broadcast called Radio Maria Italia interviewed the visionary Vicka. What follows is a part of their conversation regarding signs:

Father Livio: "I was really struck by what the Madonna said about the third secret, which concerns the sign on the mountain. You seers said that it will be a visible sign...one that is indestructible, and comes from God.

"However Our Lady also said, 'And even after I have left this sign on the hill, which I have promised to you, many will not believe. They

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MESSAGES OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MEDJUGORJE

Message of March 25, 2013 "Dear children! In this time of grace I call you to take the cross of my beloved Son Jesus in your hands and to meditate on His passion and death. May your suffering be united in His suffering and love will win, because He who is love gave Himself out of love to save each of you. Pray, pray, pray until love and peace begin to reign in your hearts. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Message of April 25, 2013 "Dear children! Pray, pray, keep praying until your heart opens in faith as a flower opens to the warm rays of the sun. This is a time of grace which God gives you through my presence but you are far from my heart, therefore, I call you to personal conversion and to family prayer. May Sacred Scripture always be an incentive for you. I bless you all with my motherly blessing. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Message of May 25, 2013 "Dear children! Today I call you to be strong and resolute in faith and prayer, until your prayers are so strong so as to open the Heart of my beloved Son Jesus. Pray little children, pray without ceasing until your heart opens to God's love. I am with you and I intercede for all of you and I pray for your conversion. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Archbishop Vigneron:

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from them...being rebuked and/or being sanctioned.”

Peters didn't specify a Catholic politician or public figure in his post. But he told the Free Press that a person's "public efforts to change society's definition of marriage...amount to committing objectively wrong actions.”

Peters, an attorney who holds the Edmund Cardinal Szoka Chair at Sacred Heart, was appointed by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010 to be a referendary of the Apostolic Sinatura, which means he helps advise the top judicial authority in the Catholic Church. Peters' blog, "in Light of the Law," is popular among Catholic experts, but not everyone agrees with his traditional views.

Peters has said before that liberal catholic Democrats, such as U.S. Rep. Nancy Pelosi of California and New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, should be denied Communion because of their statements and positions.

In 2011, Peters said that Cuomo should not receive Communion because he is an outspoken proponent of gay marriage. Last month, Peters said, "Pelosi suffers from one of the most malformed consciences in the annals of American Catholic politics or...she is simply hell-bent on using her Catholic identity to attack Catholic values at pretty much every opportunity.”

In 2002, Catholic Jennifer Granholm's support of abortion rights became an issue in the gubernatorial race a month before the election, when Detroit Cardinal Adam Maida released a letter saying Catholic politicians had a "special moral obligation" to oppose abortion.

Last month, Vigneron said at a news conference that maintaining views that oppose abortion and support traditional marriage are important for Catholics.

"Were we to abandon them, we would be like physicians who didn't tell their patients that certain forms of behavior are not really in their best interest," said Vigneron, who oversees 1.3 million Catholics in southeastern Michigan.

Asked by the Free Press about Catholics who publicly advocate for gay marriage and receive Communion, Vigneron said: "For a Catholic to receive Holy Communion and still deny the revelation Christ entrusted to the church is to try to say two contradictory things at once: 'I believe the church offers the saving truth of Jesus, and I reject what the church teaches.' In effect, they would contradict themselves. This sort of behavior would result in publicly renouncing one's integrity and logically bring shame for a double-dealing that is not unlike perjury.”

Vigneron said the church wants to help Catholics "avoid this personal disaster.”

Servant of God Maria Esperanza -A modern day Catholic mystic with a



Maria Esperanza Medrano de Bianchini was born in Barrancas, Venezuela on the feast day of Saint Cecilia, November 22, 1928. Her mother, Maria Filomena, and father Aniceto Medrano had desperately wanted a daughter, as they already had three boys, and so the mother asked the Blessed Virgin, to grant her a girl. The birth occurred while Maria's mother was taking a trip by boat in search of better medical facilities for Maria's birth. It was a very painful delivery, and during her pregnancy Maria's mother had often prayed before a picture of the Blessed Mother, offering the child to the Virgin Mary, and promising to name the child Maria (Spanish for Mary) if it was a girl, and Esperanza the Spanish word for "hope". And through the grace of God so came into the world "Mary Hope", destined to lead others to Jesus through Mary.

As a child, Maria was often sick but she repeatedly recovered from mysterious disorders in a miraculous way, most notably surviving severe heart and respiratory maladies. It seems that God was preparing and purifying her through suffering, as is often the case with those called to a special mission in the Church. During her childhood, Maria showed a precocious interest in religious matters, often playing with dolls that were dressed as priests and nuns.

HER FIRST MYSTICAL EXPERIENCE
At the age of five, she had her first mystical experience. While saying goodbye to her mother who was leaving on a trip, Maria Esperanza saw Saint Therese of The Child Jesus emerging from the waters of the Orinoco River. The saint tossed Maria a rose that she caught with her hand. It was a red rose and it had a velvet texture. She then gave it to her mother who was amazed because of the

fact that there were no roses nearby.

HER MIRACULOUS CURE

By the age of 12 she had developed such an acute case of pneumonia that her doctor didn't think she would live more than three days. "Mother of mine, would it be that you want me to come to you?" Maria asked. She then prayed, waiting for an answer. When she opened her eyes, the Blessed Virgin was smiling in front of her. Our Lady appeared to Maria as the Virgin of the Valley of Margarita (another apparition site off the coast of Venezuela) and told the girl what medication to take. Maria later learned that her father had a special devotion to the Virgin of the Valley, and on his deathbed he had called upon the Virgin to protect his wife and children. Our Lady's remedy turned out to be the medication that cured Maria.

A VISION OF JESUS

There were other trials during her youth, and so sick was Maria that she was fed through injection. Still, the young Esperanza never wavered in her faith. Praying another time for Christ to take her so she would no longer be such a burden to her family, Maria opened her eyes and this time saw the Heart of Jesus. It was full of light and dripping blood. "He was strong: recalls Maria. "His eyes, how they penetrate. It's like radar the way He penetrates you with His eyes! It was so beautiful, beautiful eyes...His face was so gentle!" When He appeared to Maria, Christ addressed her as "My white rose of love."

Instead of granting her death, the Lord and His Mother came to heal her. But they explained that life is a long series of trials, and that the bridge to Heaven is constructed through trials, purgation, and humility especially humility. "My daughter, when you begin your pilgrimage you will have many sufferings," Our Lady told her. "They are the pain of this mother. Help me. Help me to save this world which is going astray" And so began Maria's mystical journey at the age of twelve.

During her teenage years she received several mystical graces including the ability to read into hearts, and she often had the premonition of knowing when guests would arrive, or when her family or friends were sick, or if something significant had happened to them. Once

(1928-2004)

message of hope

she told a person who had been diagnosed with cancer, "It is just a problem with your vesicle and I feel you must be operated immediately", he was operated and was healed. She also prayed upon a little boy who had Typhoid fever and the child was healed. On another occasion, she told a leprosy woman to take a certain medication and following Maria's instructions she was healed.

MORE MYSTICAL VISIONS AND HEAVENLY GRACES

As she passed from adolescence into young adulthood, naturally her vocation in life was at forefront of her concerns. At first she wanted to become a nun and entered a convent in 1954. That same year, on October 3rd, at the end of a Mass, she had yet another implausible experience. Once again, Saint Therese of the Child Jesus appeared to her, and once more a rose was thrown to her. But this time when Maria went to catch it, as she had done as a girl of five, it wasn't a rose that landed in her hand. Rather, something pinched her right palm and blood began to seep from that hand. It was the onset of the stigmata. "This is not your vocation, yours is to be a wife and mother," the Little Flower instructed her. Maria felt at that moment that she would eventually leave the convent and become a mother, working for the Lord in the world. Her vocation was to be that of a family woman.

A few days later on October 7, 1954, feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary, the Mother of God gave her the following message, "In addition to daily Communion, fasting, prayer, and penance you must remain in deep reclusion, for I shall come again on October 12th so you may prepare your heart to be a spiritual mother of souls, and so I may seal it as such forever. Also, you shall be the mother of seven children: Six roses and a bud."

HER WEDDING AND MARRIAGE TO GEO BIANCHINI GIANNI

Soon after Maria went to Rome to live at the Ravasco institute, run by Daughters of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary at the Vatican. One day she saw an apparition of a man waving a flag that was white, red and green, and to her it was a sign that her future husband would be an Italian. Soon afterwards, an apparition of Saint John Bosco announced to her that she would meet her future husband on November 1, 1955. And so it was in Rome, in front of the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, she met Geo Bianchini Gianni on November 1, exactly as was foretold to her.

The following October 13, the anniversary of the great miracle at Fatima, Our Blessed Mother told Maria she would be married on December 8, 1956 – the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Exactly as predicted, Geo and Maria were married that day in the choir chapel of the Immaculate Conception at St. Peter's Basilica.

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will come to the hill, they will kneel, but they will not believe' (July 19, 1981).

"Why is it, in your opinion, that people will see the sign but they will not convert?"

Vicka: "The third secret is about a sign that the Blessed Mother will leave on the mountain of the apparitions. This sign will remain forever. It is given for those people who are still far away from God. The Madonna wishes to give these people, who will see the sign, a chance to believe in God. I was able to see this sign..."

Father Livio: "You have already seen the sign!!"

Vicka: "Yes. I saw it in a vision."

Father Livio: "Jakov once said in an interview with Radio Maria Italia that in order to see the sign, it will be necessary to come to Medjugorje. Is that true?"

Vicka: "Yes. It is true. The sign will remain on Podbrdo, and one will have to come there to see it.

"I want to say about those people who will see it and not believe, that the Madonna leaves everyone free to believe or not, but those are the ones whose hearts are too closed. It is the same thing as the Madonna had said to us, 'If one wants to go to Heaven, one will go there, and if one wants to go to hell, one will go there.'

"Those people who are very far away from God and do not want to believe, they will not believe in the sign. (They prefer not to give up the temporary pleasure of their sins.)

"For those who do not know God but have good intentions and a desire to love, they will be benefited by the sign...but I think that those who do everything against God will run away from the sign, and they will not believe."

Church Approval

Father Livio: "So, this time now, is a time of grace...this is a time of conversion. The Madonna said, "Do not wait for the sign in order to convert."

"Well then, why leave a sign like some last extreme help? Is it to move the Church to recognize the apparitions as authentic?"

Vicka: "Yes, certainly, it will be for the Church, so that they will have no doubt that the Madonna has been among us...and it is also for those who are still far away from God. The Madonna is thinking about both groups of people. Then, it is up to us as to how to be ready to respond to Her call through this sign.

"The Madonna is here. She is present, and She leaves this sign, a sign that no man can make, for it is something that only God can make. Thus, no one will be able to say that it is a small thing or something else. This sign arrives in such an extraordinary way, that they will not have words to say what it is."

Father Livio: "This means that when the time of the secrets come...the fourth through the tenth secret...secrets with are evidently rather arduous...it means that, in any event, in the time of the remaining secrets we will always have the sign of the Madonna which will comfort us.

"But, you also said that during the time of the ten secrets, one of the seers will still have the daily apparitions of the Madonna."

Vicka: "Yes, it is certain. It is something that I repeat now. We will see who it is. There is still me, Maria, and Ivan. Afterwards, we will see who the Madonna has chosen...who of us three remains with the apparitions. Or maybe it will be someone else that the Madonna has chosen.

Father Livio: "Someone said something to Mirjana like, 'Vicka said that during the time of the ten secrets, there will only be one seer who will continue to have the daily apparitions.'

"But, Mirjana said that she did not know anything about this. What does that mean? Is it that this was told to you personally by the Madonna?"

Vicka: "Yes, the Madonna told me personally. Afterwards we shall see. The Madonna did not say, 'Vicka, it will be you.'

"Now we must wait to see who it will be. Our Lady said that when the time comes, to the person who will continue to have the apparitions, She will explain every 'how' and 'what' to that person."

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