

Politics, Religion & Abortion

Mark 12:17...Jesus said to them, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's." This line taken from the Bible is often quoted by our politicians. Unfortunately, the liberal media interprets this truth as a one-way street by saying, "Religious fanatics, keep your religion out of politics." This attitude is totally erroneous..

Politicians and the liberal media omit the latter half of what Christ said, "...and to God what is God's." God's territory is to *give life and to take life.* "Politicians, stay out of God's territory!"

WHEN DOES LIFE BEGIN

Life begins even before conception! *Conception is only a physical manifestation of the beginning of Life.* Jeremiah: 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I set you apart..." Sirach 50:22-24; "...praise the Lord God of Israel, who does wonders on earth. Who **exalts man from the womb** and makes him as He pleases." Luke 1:41-44, "When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, **the infant leaped in her womb**, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, 'Most blessed are you among women and blessed is the **fruit of your womb.** ...For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, **the infant in my womb** leaped for joy.'"

VOTING AGENDAS

King Herod ordered the slaughter of all infants two years old and younger (to insure his

political security).

At our last judgment we will be asked: *Matthew 25:40 "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these the least of our brethren, you did for me. (Who could be more "least" than those helpless innocent children in the womb?) ...Matthew 25:45, 46 "Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me. And these will go off to eternal punishment... Voting for a pro-abortion candidate is a vote to kill the least of our brethren.*

Catholic Catechism 2268, 69 – Infanticide, fratricide, parricide and the murder of a spouse are especially grave crimes of reason of the natural bonds which they break. Concern for eugenics or public health cannot justify any murder, even if *commanded by public authority.*

2271... Direct abortion, that is to say, willed either as an end or means, is gravely contrary to moral law. You shall not kill the embryo by abortion and shall not cause the **newborn** to perish.

2272... **Formal cooperation in an abortion constitutes a grave offense. The Church attaches the canonical penalty of excommunication to this crime against life.**

Bishop Robert Basa from Oregon: "After much discussion at the Bishop's Conference using proportionate reasoning, it would be a mortal sin to vote for a pro-abortion candidate." *Western Lifesite News, Sept. 8, 2008 – Bridegroom Press, Get the Catholic Perspective.*

Catholic Catechism 2271... God, the



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Lord of Life, has entrusted to men the noble mission of safeguarding life. and men must carry it out in a manner worthy of themselves. Life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception: **abortion and infanticide are abominable crimes.**

HUMAN REASONING VERSUS GOD'S WILL

As long as the general public and our politicians try to fix all human ailments humanistically and avoid God, they will fail! Our nation was founded on Judaic and Christian principles. Our founding fathers

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Messages of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Message of October 25, 2008 "Dear children! In a special way I call you all to pray for my intentions so that, through your prayers, you may stop Satan's plan over this world, which is further from God every day, and which puts itself in the place of God and is destroying everything that is beautiful and good in the souls of each of you. Therefore, little children, arm yourselves with prayer and fasting so that you may be conscious of how much God loves you and may carry out God's will. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Message of November 25, 2008 "Dear children! Also today I call you, in this time of grace, to pray for little Jesus to be born in your heart. May He, who is peace itself, give peace to the entire world through you. Therefore, little children, pray without ceasing for this turbulent world without hope, so that you may become witnesses of peace for all. May hope begin to flow through your hearts as a river of grace. Thank you for having responded to my call."

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emphatically endorsed the necessity of God in the American culture. Take God and the Ten Commandments out of our country and we will follow the Roman Empire!

At the peak of the Roman Empire, taxes were at an all time high, corruption in government and business was debilitating, sexual orgies were a way of life, homosexuality reached its highest levels, a culture of death was actually used as a form of entertainment in the coliseum. The use of hallucinatory drugs was a way of life, as well as gluttonous food orgies. Does any of this ring a bell?

Matthew 16:21-23: *"From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, 'God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you' He turned and said to Peter: **"Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."** This took place just a week after He designated Peter to be the first pope!*

***Jesus equates human reasoning with Satan's reasoning.** When we take God out of our equation for problem-solving (humanism), we enter the will of Satan, not God. Today many celebrities and influential so-called Catholic politicians willfully misinterpret Catholic theology to fit their own personal agendas. They cause much confusion among the well-intentioned Catholic laity. As a result, many fall away from the true teachings of the Church. Others become "cafeteria Catholics." Unfortunately, many of our Catholic bishops, pastors, priests, as well as many Catholic universities are too TIMID to defend the true teaching of our Catholic Church. They are lukewarm Catholics and are causing a Catholic schism, "the American Catholic Church."*

DO NOT WORRY ABOUT THE ECONOMY

Matthew 6:25 "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what to wear. Is not your life more important than food, and the body more important than clothing?" 6:33 **"But seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides. Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself."**

Of course, this takes strong faith which can only be strengthened with the help of

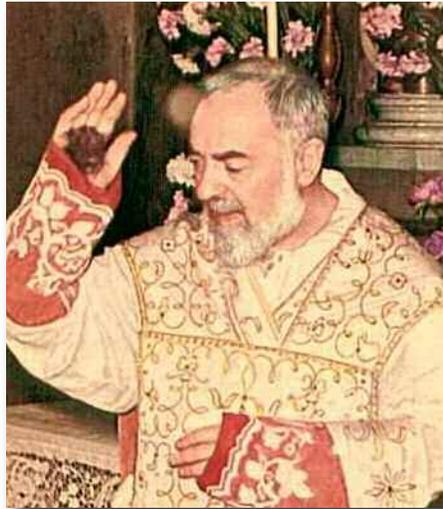
prayer, Holy Mass, the sacraments of reconciliation, and the Holy Eucharist. How much faith? "That of a mustard seed." Mt. 17:20

Happily, Our Holy Mother predicted, "In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph."

F. Giordano, Coordinator OMQofP Times

Padre Pio's Love for Mary

From The Life of Padre Pio, pp 151-3
by Gennaro Prezioso



At San Giovanni Rotondo, Padre Pio spent many hours in prayer before the image of Santa Maria delle Grazie. He asked Her heavenly intervention on behalf of those who had come to him. When he was presented with an especially difficult case, he would say: "Here we need the Madonna."

She was the one who directed his thoughts, suggested how he should act, and inflamed his heart. He went to Her under a variety of titles: Mediatrix, Auxiliatrix, and Advocate. He loved to contemplate Her at the foot of the Cross, and he would say of Her: "The sorrowful Virgin obtains for us, from Her most Holy Son, the ability to penetrate ever more deeply into the mystery of the Cross, and to be inebriated with the sufferings of Jesus."

Padre Pio wrote, "The greatest proof of love consists in suffering for the beloved, and since the Son of God endured so many sufferings out of pure love, there is no doubt that any cross carried for Him becomes lovable to the degree of one's love."

"May the most Holy Virgin obtain for us a love of the Cross, of suffering, of

sorrows...and may She who was the first to practice the Gospel in all its perfection, in all its severity, even before it was written, obtain for us on this very day the stimulus to come close to Her."

"Let us endeavor, like so many elect souls, to follow this blessed Mother, to walk always close to Her, not following any other path that leads to life, except the one trod by our Mother." (Epistolari I, 602)

To a spiritual daughter who had asked Padre Pio to say something about the Madonna, he wrote: "You should realize that Jesus, Who is the source of living water, cannot come to us without a channel, and the channel is Mary."

"Jesus comes to us only through the Blessed Virgin. Let us imitate the Virgin in holy humility and in prudence. May the Madonna make you experience all Her love. Let us abandon ourselves to the hands of the heavenly Mother if we want to find peace and well-being."

ROSARY ALWAYS IN HIS HANDS

Padre Pio expressed his Marian devotion by his constant and practically uninterrupted recitation of the Rosary. He always had the Rosary in his hands. He considered it a powerful weapon for putting the devil to flight, for overcoming temptation, for conquering the heart of God, and for obtaining graces through the Madonna.

"This prayer," he said, "is a summary of our faith; the basis of our hope; the outpouring of our charity." With the Rosary, Padre Pio meditated and contemplated the Gospel foundations of the mystery of salvation.

SATAN TRIES TO DESTROY THE ROSARY

He mentioned several times that some persons stated that the Rosary was out of fashion, that it had been surpassed by other forms of prayer, but this only made him speak more forcefully in defense of the Rosary: "Let us do what we have always done, what our fathers have done, and all will be well. Satan always tries to destroy this prayer, but he will never succeed."

"It is the prayer of those who are victorious. It is the prayer that the Madonna taught us, as Jesus taught us the Pater Noster."

Padre Pio was once asked how the Rosary should be recited, and he answered: "Pay attention to the Ave Maria, the salutation made to the Virgin in the mystery that is being contemplated. Think of Her participation in the mystery. Focus on Her feelings at that time. She was present in all the mysteries of the Rosary. She participated in all of them with love and sorrow. Think of Her love and sorrow."

The conference, “A Day With MARY” was a sell out!

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Fr. Benedict Groeschel

Election Commentary

By Father Jay Scott Newman

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Dear Friends in Christ,
We the people have spoken, and the 44th President of the United States will be Barack Hussein Obama. This election ends a political process that started two years ago and which has revealed deep and bitter divisions within the United States and also within the Catholic Church in the United States. This division is sometimes called a “culture war,” by which is meant a heated clash between two radically different and incompatible conceptions of how we should order our common life together, the public life that constitutes civil society. And the chief battleground in this culture war for the past 30 years has been abortion, which

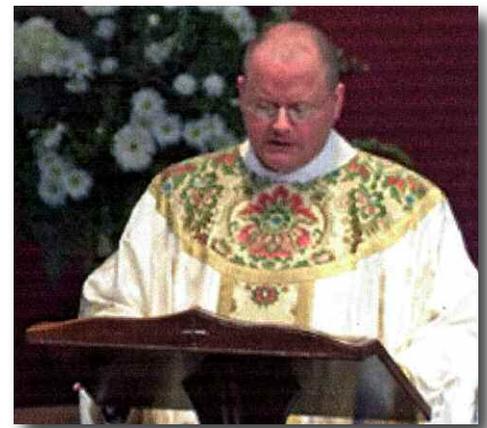
one side regards as a murderous abomination that cries out to Heaven for vengeance and the other side regards as a fundamental human right that must be protected in laws enforced by the authority of the state. Between these two visions of the use of lethal violence against the unborn there can be no negotiation or conciliation, and now our nation has chosen for its chief executive the most radical pro-abortion politician ever to serve in the United States Senate or to run for president. We must also take note of the fact that this election was effectively decided by the votes of self-described (but not practicing) Catholics, the majority of whom cast their ballots for President-elect Obama.

In response to this, I am obliged by my duty as your shepherd to make two observations:

1. Voting for a pro-abortion politician when a plausible pro-life alternative exist, constitutes material cooperation with intrinsic evil, and those Catholics who do so place themselves outside of the full communion of Christ's Church and under the judgment of divine law. Persons in this condition should not receive Holy Communion until and unless they are reconciled to God in the Sacrament of Penance, lest they eat and drink their own condemnation.

2. Barack Obama, although we must always and everywhere disagree with him over abortion, has been duly elected the next President of the United States, and after he takes the Oath of Office next January 20th, he will hold legitimate authority in this nation. For this reason, we are obliged by Scriptural precept to pray for him and to cooperate with him whenever conscience does not bind us otherwise. Let us hope and pray that the responsibilities of the presidency and the grace of God will awaken in the conscience of this extraordinarily gifted man an awareness that the unholy slaughter of children in this nation is the greatest threat to the peace and security of the United States and constitutes a clear and present danger to the common good. In the time of President Obama's service to our country, let us pray for him in the words of a prayer found in the Roman Missal:

God our Father, all earthly powers must serve you. Help our President-elect, Barack Obama, to fulfill his responsibilities worthily and well. By honoring and striving to please you at all times, may he secure



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peace and freedom for the people entrusted to him. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Father Newman

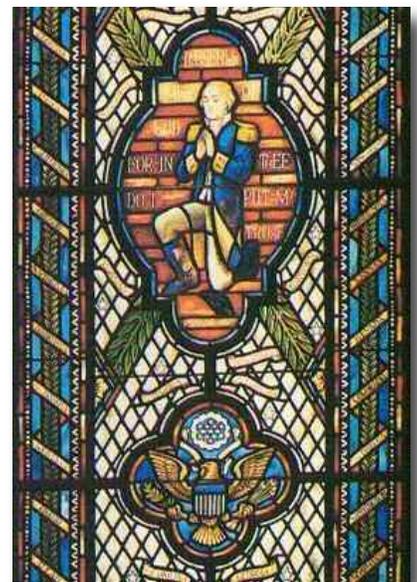
Timidity and compromise has infected the Catholic Church. I appreciate Father Newman's fearless defense of Catholic teachings. If all our spiritual leaders had the courage to defend our faith like this before the election, it may have had a different ending. What happens to the unborn now?

F. Giordano, OMQofP, Coordinator

George Washington Window at the US Capitol

depicting “His Prayer at Valley Forge”.

Arnold Friberg



The Window Inscription: At Top: THIS NATION UNDER GOD Around GW: PRESERVE ME O GOD DO I PUT MY TRUST Psalm 16:1

Messages of the Blessed Virgin Mary *Continued from pg 1*
Medjugorje, monthly message received by Marija on December 25, 2008 "Dear Children! You are running, working, gathering, but without blessing. You are not praying! Today I call you to stop in front of the manger, and to meditate on Jesus whom I give to you today also, to bless you and to help you comprehend that, without Him, you have no future. Therefore, little children, surrender your lives in the hands of Jesus, for Him to lead you and protect you from every evil. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Medjugorje, yearly message received by Jakov Colo on December 25, 2008

"Dear Children! Today, in a special way, I call you to pray for peace. Without God, you cannot have peace or live in peace. Therefore, little children, today on this day of grace, open your hearts to the King of Peace for Him to be born in you and to grant you His peace; and you, be carriers of peace in this peaceless world. Thank you for having responded to my call"

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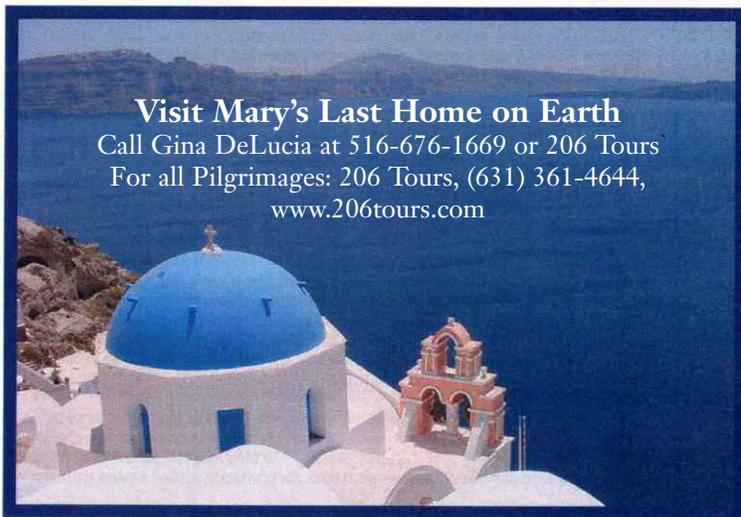
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