

7. MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Abbot Leonard's Schedule only)

SUNDAY: Dec. Cora Segura Cousin
MONDAY: For the People of the Chapels
TUESDAY: Spec. Int. Phyllis DesLauriers (Bday)
WEDNESDAY: Poor Neglected Soul in Purgatory
THURSDAY: Welfare Jess Ballentine
FRIDAY: Special Int. Mary P. Miller
SATURDAY: Dec. Elizabeth Stopp

LET ALL TAKE NOTE:-

The principal and central concern of all traditional priests and people should be the protection and the preservation of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - - the untarnished Eucharistic Sacrifice. This, of course, includes the holy Sacraments. In all rites, ceremonies and usages, we, as traditional Roman Catholics, must adhere without exception to the established forms of Holy Tradition, cherishing the venerable ceremonies as fitting for the Divine Cult, and shunning all antiquated, exaggerated, radical and artificial renditions of the traditional Sacred Liturgy as alien to true and authentic Catholic traditions, and therefore, unworthy in the expression of customary, unchangeable and ageless Catholic Faith.

If we are truly committed to our claim that we are dedicated to the preservation of the Mass, we should, then, stay away from every cause or program that in any way might tarnish credibility in the importance of our claim. We should abstain from being party to the various programs and projects that, today, are plaguing almost every traditionalist center. These programs, usually founded on the doctrinal disputes of the uninitiated, are tearing away at the very foundation of the original and central concern of serious minded Roman Catholics who are in search of that which was Catholic in the pre-council church. These worthy people have a right to the peace of mind and serenity of heart that correct and legitimate Catholicism has always given. These programs oftentimes demonstrate a fanaticism which has now become identified with the entire traditionalist movement of the Roman Catholic Church. Furthermore, the fanatic and overzealous adherence to any one of these various causes has smashed to pieces all possibility of unity of interest and Catholic Christian Charity - - CHARITY which should be the cornerstone of every soul loyal to the recollection of Jesus Christ and to what He stands for!

Today, in spite of claims made by certain individuals whose sphere of influence - IN ALL CASES - is indeed quite limited, no one in the so-called traditionalist church is qualified with absolute certitude to state that such and such a belief has the confirmation which comes from a central and generally accepted authority. Neither is any traditionalist individual, or group of individuals, qualified to promote or define this or that teaching as being the generally accepted and established traditional magisterial teaching of the official Roman Catholic Church, without it being so declared in the official records of the church leadership. We do not here refer to the magisterial activities of the Roman Church since Vatican Council II. Therefore, no valid information can be gained from anyone whose authenticity is not generally accepted by reputable theological authorities: - - - but where are these to be found in today's distracted Church founded by Jesus Christ? Self proclaimed authenticity does not automatically make one authentic. Opinion has always been fostered in the Catholic establishment, but opinion always remains just opinion, and it does not become authentic doctrine until such a time when the Holy Spirit, working together with a trustworthy magisterium makes it so. Then it must be followed by all believing members. An opinion should never be presented as official doctrine, lest it needlessly disturb the consciences of uninformed people.

Even though some of the various programs promoted have a measure of importance in the defense of a weakened and uncertain church, and even though these various programs seem to be constructed on solid argument and convincing proof (nowadays backed up with computer powered scholarship), their presentations with regard to ecclesiastical realities are deprived of any reality!!! Let the wise take note.

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