

To His Holiness Pope-Emeritus Benedict XVI,

25 March 2020, Annunciation of the Lord

Your Holiness,

I wish to express my deepest gratitude and very sincerely thank to you and His Eminence Robert Cardinal Sarah for writing and publishing your book “*From the Depths of Our Hearts*” recently. By this beautiful defence of priestly celibacy within the Roman Catholic tradition, this book fully supports the true continuity of the sacred Life of the Mystical Body of Christ. In your book the seriousness of the ministerial duties received at ordination, creation and pontifical-election respectively has been demonstrated in a truly beautiful manner. Thank you.

Because of the importance of this example, you both gave us, I have written the attached Open Letter to all Cardinals, calling on them to follow your splendid example. This Open Letter and its Appendix are also available on the internet: <https://www.ecclesiadei.nl>

I hope you can agree with the contents of this letter and its appendix.

In addition, I kindly request your support by asking you to consider addressing His Holiness Pope Francis and the Church, also on the other topics I have listed below. The intention here is to place these topics into the following broader theological context:

Why did the Holy Spirit inspire Saint Pope Paul VI to block these topics specifically during the Council and to subsequently publish the “*Creed of the people of God*”?

To this end, I would like to draw your attention to the “thread” of my analysis summarized in the Appendix. This is the constant arguments for changing the Church substantially by the modernist/liberal wing, even today regarding the ‘*Amazon Synod*’ and the ‘*German Synodal Path*’. These are more or less precisely those topics that were blocked twice by your predecessor Saint Pope Paul VI. Firstly, during the Second Vatican Council and secondly shortly thereafter concerning the Dutch Pastoral Council.

The topics blocked by Pope Saint Paul VI during the Council:

- 1) Regarding the structure of the Church: by issuing *Nota Explicativa Praevia* against the introduction of a false collegiality;
- 2) Regarding Sacred Doctrine: by obliging the Council Committee to replace the draft text that was strongly designed by His Eminence Augustin Cardinal Bea S.J. and the theologian Father Karl Rahner S.J. and which implicitly denied the Tradition as one of the two sources of Revelation, with a text that explicitly spoke of the two sources (Scripture and Tradition);
- 3) Regarding the Church’s Ecclesiastical Life: by rejecting the topic of the compulsory celibacy of priests from the Council and reserving this matter himself (“*My Journal of the Council*” by Yves Congar page 808). Consequently he published the 1967 Encyclical *Sacerdotalis Caelibatus* on this subject;
- 4) Regarding the principles of Pastoral Care and the origin of life: by rejecting the topic of contraception/sexuality from the Council and reserving this matter which resulted in the publication of his 1968 Encyclical *Humanae Vitae*,

Finally after the Council regarding the interpretation of the Council's documents and the fullness of Doctrine: on request of the first Bishops Conference in 1967, Pope Paul VI addressed in June 30, 1968, the "*Credo of the People of God*" [Motu Proprio *Solemni hac Liturgia*].

Furthermore, when Saint Pope John XXIII spoke about the "*prophets of doom*" in his Opening Address to the Council, it is entirely illogical that he would have implied these prophets to be the Conservative Council Fathers as the modernist and liberal wing want us to believe. On the contrary, these prophets are precisely the modernist and liberal wing who are continuously arguing in this manner and lying about their true intentions. From before the Council to the present time they continuously accuse the Mystical Body of Christ i.e. the Church of being outdated. Their "*doom scenarios*" claim that its structure, Doctrine, Ecclesiastical Life, Divine Adoration and principles of Pastoral Care are the source of all "evil" in society and that the Church has to change/reform.

Your Holiness, I also wrote to His Holiness Pope Francis expressing my deepest gratitude and very sincere thanks for his public act of Begging for Mercy and Benediction of the world with the Holy Sacrament. However only begging for Mercy, seems to be insufficient here. With regard to today's general spirit in the Church that is so badly influenced by the ambiguous and rebellious spirit of the "*prophets of doom*". Therefore, I also humbly request your support in my request to His Holiness Pope Francis to consider the supernatural consequences of today's sufferings in the world. The stakes are too high for simply ignoring this fact. It can therefore only be solved by supernatural means, in a manner, which expresses unity between three critical public acts of the Church, namely:

- a) Begging God for Mercy,
- b) Declaration of a (renewed) "*Credo of the People of God*" as Manifesto of Faith, and
- c) By doing Penance.

With heartfelt gratitude for your kind and generous consideration, we humbly beg your sincere prayers for the Holy Father. We offer you the assurance of our filial support and prayers and we humbly ask for the grace of your blessing.

Faithfully in Christo,

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