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The Blossoming of the Domestic Church

The term *ecclesiola* (Greek for “little church”) has been used from the dawn of Christianity to designate the domestic Church. It refers to the family, the smallest body of believers. Our early Church Fathers understood that the home was fertile ground for faith and holiness.

Every Catholic home should be considered a microcosm of the Church, with the father as the head, the mother as the heart, and the children brought up learning how to know, love, and serve God. But, in reality, Christ is the true head of the home and the pope is His visible vicar. The Holy Ghost is also the true heart of the home, and the totality of Church members are sons

of God. And so, the family is a miniature representation of the Catholic Church at large.

If this is so, it is of the utmost importance that both parents and children strive and thrive in pursuing their God-given role within the family: to make Jesus and Mary reign over their home in every aspect of their life.

Many are familiar with the apostolate of the enthronement of the Sacred Heart in the home. This, along with the regular home visit and blessing by your pastor, can only encourage all members to turn their eyes and heart to imitate the charming virtues of the Holy Family of Nazareth, charming because they are hidden under the gaze of Jesus, King of all hearts.

Letter from the District Superior



Dear Friends,

This summer issue of the *Regina Coeli Report* draws your attention to the family. If we are returning time and again to this theme, it is because it is foremost in our preoccupations. No leader, whether political, economic, social or religious, can pretend to usher in a bright future without firstly aiming at restoring that first social cell which is the family.

Allow me to pursue this theme with a moving address from our new Superior General, Fr. Pagliarani who wrote last October:

“We must also have a growing concern for the education of children. It is necessary to keep clearly in mind the goal that we wish to achieve and not be afraid to speak to them about the Cross, about the passion of Our Lord, about His love for the little ones, about sacrifice. It is absolutely necessary for the souls of children to be captured already at a very tender age by the love of Our Lord, before the spirit of the world can seduce and ravish them. This question absolutely has priority, and if we do not manage to transmit what we have received, that is the sign that we are not sufficiently convinced of it.”

We know the parable of Our Lord about those who built their house on sand and those who built upon the rock. And rain and windstorm came and the house built on sand fell in ruin, whereas the one built on solid ground stood up indomitable. We can apply this to the family. We have those traditional families where the natural hierarchy has been preserved, with order and the spirit of reverence and obedience to authority. We have also, alas, all too often, the spectacle of dysfunctional families where the children are kings and the parents at their feet obeying their least caprice, heading for much trouble down the road. Here are the two opposite sides of the spectrum constantly before our eyes as society is increasingly renouncing Christ's law.

And so, I cannot but conclude with a prayer. Indeed, it is high time for us to pray and to entrust ourselves and our beloved ones, especially the littlest of all, to the Blessed Virgin. From the mouth of Sr. Lucia, we know that “the devil's last battle will be launched against the family.” This is another reason for us to get on our knees and pray ardently for all our families. “O Lord, grant us Catholic families!”

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jürgen Wegner". The ink is dark and the background is light.

Fr. Jürgen Wegner



Timeline of the Family Onslaught

If good Christians are able to make some sense of the importance of family life, there is no question that the enemy of mankind understands this very well. Satan and his henchmen on earth are dead set on destroying the family down to its very foundations. This work has taken centuries, with the revolutionary laws on Christian education, divorce, and the dismissing of Church rights over marriage regulations.

The family is to the city and the State like the living cell is to the organism or the entire body. Leave the individual cells to wander about and lose their purpose, cohesion and health, and havoc ensues rapidly, with decay setting in before the ultimate decomposition of the entire body. Another analogy brings up the example of the brick house composed of numberless bricks, each of which contributes to the stability and firmness of the whole. But, if the process of brick baking were originally deficient or crumbling, it would affect and jeopardize the stability of the entire building.

Here follows a sketch, spread over 100 years, of the various attacks against all that directly affects families. On the opposite side, you will see how serious Catholics have counterattacked. At first sight, these reactions look unpretentious and ineffective: The enemy's gunpowder is so great and the retort so weak! Yet, we must always remember that the work of the counter-revolution is not another

type of revolution: it is the opposite of the revolution. And why is this? Because the revolution tends to destroy the order set up by God, both natural and supernatural. The counter-revolution tends to re-establish this order. It is by being steady parents and exemplary Catholics within their circles that they will topple the "gates of Hell," which will then have so little influence over their children.

Here is how Fr. Pagliarani, our Superior General, explains this:

"This Christendom must be remade in everyday life, through the faithful performance of the duties of our state in life, right where the good Lord has placed us. Some rightly deplore the fact that the Church and the Society are not what they ought to be. They forget that they have the means to remedy this defect, in their place, through their personal sanctification. There, everyone is Superior General... No need for a Chapter in order to be elected; each day it is necessary to sanctify that portion of the Church of which one is the absolute master: his soul!"

And now, let us turn to a hundred-year timeline which shows the snares of the enemy and the Catholic strategy to offset its evil influence on family life. May we all take note of this so as to be forewarned and ready for the evil days ahead.



	Timeline of the Anti-Family Agenda	Anti-Revolutionary Response
1920s	Margaret Sanger starts the American Birth Control League, which will become Planned Parenthood.	Pius XI's encyclical "On Chaste Marriage" stresses the blessings of conjugal fidelity, of the sacrament, and of large families. He condemns artificial birth control.
1940s	Financial straits and the war effort force women out of the home. This contributes to bringing up <i>de facto</i> orphan children who are prey to delinquency.	Clear-sighted parents sacrifice wealth and luxury in order to preserve the family integrity and order, with the mother caring for the household and toddlers.
1950s	Hollywood movies send clear messages to dethrone men as head of the family, while praising assertive women who forego motherhood.	The Catholic Church promotes the respect of the fatherly figure along with the Church and school authority. It exercises censure over movies.
1960s	The advent of the sexual revolution. "Promote free love, not war." "It is forbidden to forbid." "Down with all taboos!" Divorce becomes rampant and is socially tolerated. The Church hesitates to give clear guidelines on birth control. The <i>Novus Ordo Missae</i> is instituted.	In the face of contested authority and Christian morality, parents pull their children from liberal schools and influences. The traditional reaction is organized with the Mass of all times, proper catechism and the restoration of all things in Christ. Meanwhile, Rome is virtually silent and offers no resistance to the "spirit of the times."
1970s	Roe v. Wade brings the legalization of abortion in all "civilized" nations.	Despite Church leaders' cowardice, Catholic laity protest and accuse pro-abortion politicians of murder. Parents pray for children and for godly leaders and laws.
1980s	In response to the outbreak of AIDS, "sex education" is promoted in public schools rather than calls for abstinence.	Few bishops call for a return to traditional sexual morality. Few parents understand how perverse sex-education courses are.
1990s	"Gender theory" states that male and female are a matter of social and sexual choice, regardless of biology. This ideology, promoted by the LGBT movement, is given status of human right in the United Nations.	The LGBT group is against man, against life, and often leads men to suicide. To reject God-given gender is to try to play God. No man can extend his limits without peril.
2000s	The spread of the digital world provides immorality at children's fingertips. This stultifies young minds and corrupts our youth before they can know and love the true, good, and beautiful.	Knowing man's fallen nature, Christian parents are strictly monitoring their children's use of the screens and the best among them simply refuse to have them available.
2010	Lawrence v. Texas effectively decriminalizes homosexuality on a national scale. Same-sex marriage is legalized. Disagreement against such things is deemed "homophobic" and "discriminatory."	No civilization which promoted homosexuality has ever survived. The Church condemns the sin and offers pardon to the repentant sinner. The Church is Pro-life, and favors the families who are open to life.



Three Brothers from Holy Angels Novitiate work on their “thesis meals” after spending a year studying the art of cooking. The Novitiate comprises postulants, novices, and 1st-year professed in a 3-year formation.



Families from Our Lady of Fatima in Richmond, VA recently visited Sacred Heart Cathedral.



An abundance of items—religious, decorative, artistic, and culinary—fill numerous St. Joseph’s tables in St. Mary’s, KS.



At Mater Dei Academy in Warners, NY, a parishioner took the time to beautify the walls of the teachers' lounge with a hand-painted mural.



On May 5, Our Lady Immaculate in Oak Park, IL held an outdoor Marian Procession. The Boy Scouts from the Catholic Troop of the Boy Scouts of America carried flags as well as the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The procession was impressive, filling the sidewalk and almost covering the entire block with over 250 faithful attending.





The high school boys from Our Lady of Sorrows recently enjoyed a field trip to an old mining town east of Phoenix, AZ.

Two young Crusaders join forces in a three-legged race. during Crusader Camp at St. Joseph's in MI.



As Chaplain for the Eucharistic Crusade at St. Joseph's Church in Ray Township, MI, Fr. William Kimball organized a Crusader Camp to equip the members with the skills they need to fight the good fight for the Faith in the areas of prayer, sacrifice, apostolate and communion.

25th Priestly Anniversaries

A solemn high Mass celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the ordination of Fr. Steven Soos and Fr. Lawrence Novak was held on June 29th at St. Mary's Assumption Church in St. Louis, Missouri. A solemn high Mass celebrated by Fr. Lawrence Novak assisted by Fr. Soos and Fr. Kenneth Novak, and enhanced by a "German" sermon on the virtues of the priest. This was followed by a luncheon reception which was held at the academy attended by over 125 guests, including Fr. Jürgen Wegner, Fr. Kenneth Novak, Fr. Isaac Delmanowski, Fr. Dylan Flanery, Fr. Christopher Feeney, Br. Dominic, family, and many friends. St. Louis was the chosen location because Fr. Soos had served there as Pastor for many years and Fr. Novak's family could travel there from Chicago. The one jubilee priest missing was Fr. Albert, O.P., who was "detained" in Canada, awaiting his visa back to the US where he had been teaching at Our Lady of Guadalupe Monastery in Silver City, NM.

Besides performances by two string quartets, including the Novaks' family, and after the traditional toast presented by Dr. Flanery, "Fr. Ken" brandished a bag of letters from notable personalities congratulating the "jubilarii." Among the well-wishers were President Trump and Pope Francis. Much laughter ensued as Fr. Novak impersonated the celebrities. The celebration ended with prayers for another 25 fruitful years of ministry.





Our Lady of Fatima in Portland, OR has a Toastmasters group to help youth ages 13-18 develop public speaking skills. Some of the members gathered for a photo during their last meeting of the school year.



Parents and parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows in Phoenix, AZ recently began an effort called "Project Play" to rejuvenate the school's outdoor play area. A local commercial playground dealer was willing to donate a used playground set to the school as long as transportation and installation was provided. \$10,000 was raised and parish volunteers shoveled wheelbarrow after wheelbarrow of rock, raked woodchips, dug out trees, and installed the equipment.

Couples pause for a photo outside Our Lady of Sorrows in Phoenix, AZ after a recent marriage retreat.





The Children of Mary at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Portland, OR held a probation ceremony for new members of this important apostolate.



The first communicants at St. Vincent de Paul in Kansas City, MO had a day of recollection with the Franciscan Sisters on May 11, followed by a joyful First Holy Communion Day on May 12.





At Jesus and Mary Chapel, Bishop Bernard Fellay tonsures the head of Brother Phillip, a young Benedictine studying to become a priest.



Seminarians from St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary address the kindergarten class at Blessed Virgin Mary Academy in Warners, NY on the Monday morning after their Good Shepherd Sunday visit.

Upcoming Retreats

Men:

Aug 26-31	Ignatian	La Salette / Ridgefield
Sep 9-14	Ignatian	Phoenix, AZ
Nov 18-23	Ignatian	Los Gatos, CA
Nov 18-23	Ignatian	BVM / Ridgefield
Dec 9-14	Ignatian	Phoenix, AZ
Dec 18-21	3-Day Ignatian	Los Gatos, CA

Women:

Aug 5-10	Ignatian	Ridgefield, CT
Sep 30- Oct 5	Ignatian	Phoenix, AZ
Oct 14-19	Ignatian	BVM / Ridgefield
Oct 21-26	Ignatian	Los Gatos, CA
Dec 4-7	3-Day Ignatian	Los Gatos, CA

Mixed:

Oct 23-26, 2019 3.5 Day Matrimony Phoenix, AZ

Dates subject to change. For more information please contact:
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Eucharistic Crusade

Monthly Intentions

August:

For the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart

May the Divine Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary be known, praised, blessed, loved, venerated, and glorified always and in all places! Amen.

September:

For the Triumph of the Church

O Holy Spirit, Creator, be propitious to the Catholic Church; and by Thy heavenly power make it strong and secure against the attacks of its enemies; and renew in charity and grace the spirit of Thy servants, whom Thou hast anointed, that they may glorify Thee and the Father and His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



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US Pilgrimages

Auriesville Pilgrimage **September 14, 2019**
"The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." Join the annual pilgrimage in honor of the North American Martyrs to Auriesville, NY. For further information, visit sspxfordfield.com.

Starkenburg Pilgrimage **October 10-12, 2019**
Join us in praying for priestly and religious vocations during the annual pilgrimage to the Our Lady of Sorrows Shrine in Starkenburg, MO. One or three-day options are available. To register and for more information, Google: Eventbrite 2019 SSPX Starkenburg Pilgrimage or call 816-668-4146.

Angelus Press Conference

Theme: Defense of the Family: Fortifying Catholic Marriage **October 4-6, 2019**

Join us at the Hilton Airport Hotel in Kansas City, MO, for a series of conferences with guest speaker Bishop Bernard Fellay. For more information and to register, visit angeluspress.org/pages/conferences.

Confirmation Schedule 2019

Chapel	Date	Bishop
Watkins, CO	Aug 11	Fellay
Honolulu, HI	Aug 15	Fellay
Ridgefield, CT	Dec 8	Fellay
De Pere, WI	Dec 15	Fellay

International Pilgrimages

Benedictine Abbeys of Italy **October 21-31, 2019**
A unique opportunity to travel with a Benedictine priest while visiting Benedictine abbeys of Italy. Fr. Matthew, OSB will accompany the group as chaplain and provide a wonderful insight into the building of a Catholic civilization in Europe via the Benedictine Order. Visit the Benedictine abbeys of Montecassino, Subiaco, Sant'Antimo, Monte Oliveto Maggiore, Vallombrosa, Camaldoli, Bobbio, and Sacra di San Michele. Also visit Rome, Siena, Bologna, Pavia, Turin, Milan, and more.

In the Footsteps of St. Teresa of Avila **March 23 - April 3, 2020**

This 12-day pilgrimage takes you back in time as you visit sites related to St. Teresa and the convents she founded. Visit Avila, Salamanca, Alba de Tormes, Valladolid, Medina del Campo, Segovia, Toledo, Granada, Seville, and more. Also render homage to Our Lady of Hope at the Basilica of the Macarena in Seville, Our Lady of La Vega in Salamanca, St. John of the Cross, the Catholic Kings Ferdinand and Isabella, St. John of Sahagun, and St. Thomas of Villanueva.

Youth Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - Walking from Nazareth to Galilee **June 15-26, 2020**

Next year, the annual Youth Pilgrimage will make an unprecedented journey to the Holy Land, to walk in the footsteps of Our Lord. Visit Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, Magdala, Ein Karem, Bethany, and much more. Walk for three days along the path that Our Lord would have walked from Nazareth to Galilee. For youth between 18 and 35 years of age. Accompanied by Fr. Patrick Rutledge.

Pilgrimage to France to Honor the Vendée Martyrs **July, 2020**

Join Fr. Marc Vernoy and Fr. Pierre Duverger on a pilgrimage to France to celebrate their 25th jubilee. Travel to the Vendée region of France to learn about and venerate the martyrs of the French Revolution. Enjoy two full days at Puy du Fou, a magnificent theme park that vividly portrays the Catholic history of France. Visit sites related to the Vendée martyrs, and also visit Paris, Lourdes, Saint-Laurent-sur-Sèvre, and Pibrac. Render homage to St. Louis de Montfort, St. Genevieve, St. Bernadette, St. Peter Julian Eymard, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Catherine Labouré, St. Germaine, and many more.

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