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Catholic Church

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Also Serving St. Martin of Tours, Geneseo and Sts. Peter & Paul, Cayuga

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saint Boniface

Saturday - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:30 a.m.

Saint Martin of Tours - Geneseo

Sunday - 10:30 a.m.

Saints Peter & Paul - Cayuga

Sunday - 7:00 pm

(Even Numbered Months)

August 1, 2021 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

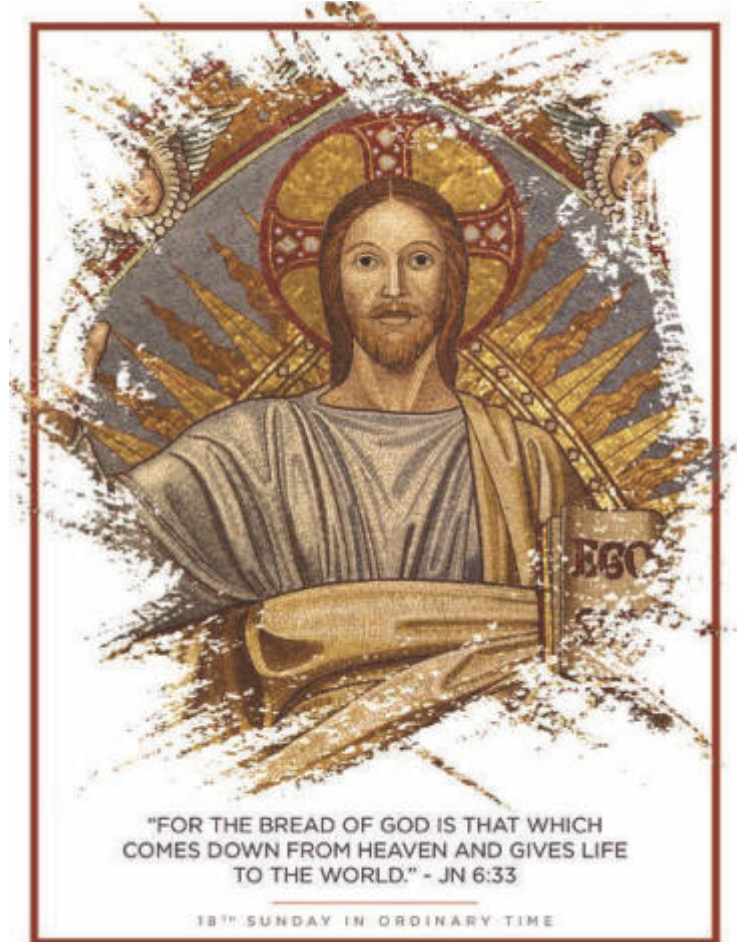
Q How do we answer tough moral questions?

A In recent decades, medicine has made great strides in the prevention and treatment of disease. At the same time, new technologies have created serious moral problems in the areas of procreation and life prolongation that previous generations of Catholics didn't face. Modern medicine, which has done so much to preserve life, has also given us artificial contraception, artificial procreation, abortion, and euthanasia (mercy killing).

These evils are widespread today, promoted by leaders in medicine, politics, and education. Many Catholics are unsure about the morality of some of these evils: is surrogate motherhood wrong and, if so, why? To make matters worse Catholics often receive confusing advice about these practices from Catholic theologians and even from their own pastors. Many Catholics aren't aware that the official teaching office of the Catholic Church (the Magisterium) has issued clear directives on these life issues (also known as bioethics).

As Pope John Paul II pointed out in his encyclical, *The Splendor of Truth (Veritatis Splendor)*, we live in a time of great moral confusion. False moral systems are being promoted in every imaginable way: from entertainment and news to books and laws. This moral confusion has allowed evils like contraception, abortion, euthanasia, test-tube babies, and surrogate motherhood to become increasingly acceptable.

The Holy Father has made it clear that some teachers of these false systems of morality are Catholic theologians in Catholic seminaries and universities! No wonder the average Catholic is bewildered when he confronts these life issues.



Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
John 6:24-35

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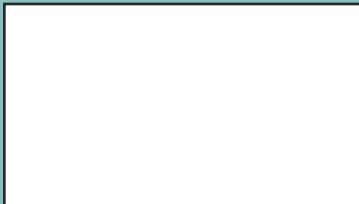
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