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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + JULY 4, 2021 + ORDER of WORSHIP

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(Recited after the bell during the procession to the altar.)

PEOPLE:

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth;

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done // and in what I have failed to do,
(we strike our breasts three times during the next line:)
thru my fault, thru my fault, thru my most grievous fault;
Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

PRIEST: May Almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

ALL: Amen.

PRIEST: Lord, have mercy. ALL: Lord, have mercy.
PRIEST: Christ, have mercy. ALL: Christ, have mercy.
PRIEST: Lord, have mercy. ALL: Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PSALM RESPONSE

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

LEADER: Alleluia, alleluia.

ALL: **Alleluia, alleluia.**

LEADER: The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
for he sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

ALL: **Alleluia, alleluia.**

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
(*ALL BOW...*)

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
(*ALL STAND ERECT...*)

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God

the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

RESPONSE TO THE PETITIONS: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

AFTER CONCLUDING PRAYER OF THE PRESIDER: **Amen.**

PRAYERS DURING the OFFERTORY

PRIEST: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for thru
your goodness we have received the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become
for us the bread of life. ALL: **Blessed be God forever.**

PRIEST: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for thru
your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become
our spiritual drink. ALL: **Blessed be God forever.**

PRIEST: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and
yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

ALL: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good,
and the good of all his holy Church.**

SANCTUS

ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy / Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

PRIEST: The mystery of faith:

ALL: (*The people pray aloud one of the following options*)

- A We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again. or ...**
- B When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your death, O Lord,
until you come again. or ...**
- C Save us, Savior of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection,
you have set us free.**

GREAT AMEN

PRIEST: Through him, with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

PEOPLE: **Amen.**

LAMB OF GOD

ALL: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

(*Recited when the Priest receives the Body of Christ.*)

PEOPLE: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Rob Cole, Peter & Mary Ellen Eppolito,
Gordon Fenton, Joe, Barbara Kulig, Ray Lewandowski,
Helen Merrill, Jim Rawcliffe, Pat Schwertfager, Todd Smith,
Mary Till, Katie Yates, George Watson, Fr. Charles Zadora,
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St. Joseph \$2,033 + St. Anthony \$2,193

ON BEING A CATHOLIC AMERICAN

By Joseph A. Varacoli, PhD

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Part One

With Independence Day falling on a Sunday this year, I got to thinking that I might publish an article with a patriotic theme. Looking for inspiration, I came across this expertly-written article, originally published in the periodical "Homiletic and Pastoral Review" and now available on the United States Council of Catholic Bishops website, which is presented here for our reflection on how we may authentically integrate our identity as citizens of the United States of America into what it means to be faithful and faith-filled Catholics. As it is an article that is thoughtful and anything but shallow, it will take a few weeks to publish it in its entirety. I think it is well worth taking the time to consider Dr. Varacoli's profound and deeply worthwhile insights into being, paraphrasing St. Thomas More, our nation's good servants, but God's first.

*Devotedly in the Lord,
Fr. Joe*

INTRODUCTION

To some significant degree, the overwhelming majority of Catholics who live in the United States of America actively affirm and participate in what may be termed a "cult of gratitude" for our nation. This intense appreciation of America is, perhaps, especially acute for those Catholics whose memories do not easily allow for one to "take for granted" the opportunities that this country has afforded them. Two groups come readily to mind. The first group consists of those Catholics, at least as old as my own age of fifty-two, who remember times more humble in terms of social status and harder economically. In this regard, I can vividly recall the stories told to me by my parents, Joe "the shoemaker" and Tessie "the hatmaker." They constantly extolled the virtues of America and recounted the stories of hardship for their own parents while living in, respectively, Calabria and the Naples region at the turn into the twentieth century. The second group of those unlikely to take for granted the blessings of this country consists of those recent Catholic immigrants to American shores from what is now commonly referred to as the "less developed" countries of the world who have no problem *whatsoever* in recalling vividly the sting of overt and unrelenting persecution and the various and obvious hardships associated with absolute material poverty.

But even those more affluent generations of Catholics removed from the immigrant and working class ethnic experience—like many suburbanized Long Islanders—feel comfortable with the American experience if for no other reason than that they have been so successfully and completely socialized into it; sociologists like myself refer to this as but one instance of a fundamental "ethnocentrism" that is both inevitable and structured into human existence. Put another way, America is loved by many Americans, in part, because it is simply "home" and because it is the only thing that most of them know.

The purpose of my presentation is to provide a brief reflection, from what I take to be an authentic Catholic sensitivity,

on how Catholics *ought* to analyze their relationship to American society and culture. Put another way, the following question might be posed: "what does American patriotism mean to the serious and devout Catholic?" Or, perhaps and more precisely, the question is: "how can American patriotism be apprehended in a manner consistent with the tenets of the Catholic faith?" I will attempt, in part, to address these questions by presenting a series of twelve propositions and principles for consideration and reflection.

PROPOSITIONS AND PRINCIPLES

Proposition One: Today patriotic sentiments primarily are realized at the level of the nation; in a previous era, the relevant social construction might have been the family, clan, village, or local region. To give an example, for my southern Italian grandparents, their whole world was their village; a world that was centered by the sound of the Church bell. Some present-day utopians project (as well as advocate) that patriotism may soon be mediated through an attachment to the "global community." Examples of such utopians would be the more ideological supporters of the United Nations and those various European elites who have given up on a once Christian based Western civilization. Our concern in this presentation, however, is restricted to the issue of a nationalistic patriotism. The question here, again, is how Catholic citizens should relate to America.

Proposition Two: It is idolatrous to place the nation, any nation, above the worship of the one, true God and the faithful practice of the Catholic religion. The Catholic Church is a gift given to us from God and is the Bride of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. For all of its virtues, America is, at best, a means to some higher end such as human liberty and, at worst, a means to attempt to satisfy the baser preoccupations of the species though an all-consuming concern for sexual gratification or the search for "ecstasy" through drug experimentation.

Proposition Three: Whether patriotism is good or bad or ambivalently held depends on the values that the nation in question embodies. Put ever so crudely, from a Catholic perspective, it is not legitimate to defend the "patriotic Nazi" or "patriotic Communist" or any collective form of human existence that does not work to enhance the fundamental dignity of the person made in the image of God. Patriotism, in and by itself, in neither good nor bad; the issue is the nature of what one is patriotic towards.

Proposition Four: The culture of a nation is capable of changing significantly over time. Such change is highly likely to occur in the modern context given such factors as the influence of advanced science and technology and increased communication, pluralism, and geographic and social mobility. These factors tend both to create new values (e.g. the perceived need for "self-expression," a central concern for "leisure," etc.) as well as modify and transform those values historically rooted in the American experience. Put another way, American society is constantly changing; that's why sociologists like myself find some utility in employing the concept of a "generation gap." My parent's social world is not mine and, God protect them, my world is not the world that my sons and daughter, most likely, will have to navigate through.

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Weekdays:

St Anthony: 8:15 am, Monday thru Friday

Holy Days:

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, July 3

4:00PM SA - Pat & Lucy O'Hara & Daughters, Merry & Patricia - *Allan Scarpine & Louanne DeJoe*

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – July 4

8:00AM SJ - Joe Dybka Sr. (Anniversary of Death) -
Marianne & Family

**** 8:00 AM Mass is Livestreamed****

9:30AM SA - Living & Deceased Members of Jennie and O.George Mancuso Family - *The Palermos*

11:15AM SJ - Hector A. Rivera (BD Remembrance) -
Kathy Guest

MONDAY, July 5 - St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

8:15AM SA - Roberto Denoya - *Laila Denoya*

TUESDAY, July 6 - St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

8:15AM SA - Marie Kusneske - *Family*

WEDNESDAY, July 7

8:15AM SA - Father's Day Intentions

THURSDAY, July 8

8:15AM SA - Deceased Pastors of Immaculate Conception

FRIDAY, July 9 - St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

8:15AM SA - James & Josephine Nasca - *Estate*

SATURDAY, July 10

4:00 PM SA - William Till - *Family*

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - July 11

8:00AM SJ - Martha Dybka (Anniversary of Death)-
Marianne & Family

**** 8:00 AM Mass is Livestreamed****

9:30AM SA - William & Henry Moriarty - *Family*

11:15AM SJ - Jeanne Seybold -
Stephen & Donalee Babcock

SA = at St. Anthony Church / SJ = at St. Joseph Church

Mass via Livestream: 1. Go to youtube.com. 2. Search for St. Joseph Fredonia & go there. 3. Click on the icon for the Mass that you desire to view.



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