

Our Prayers

Let us pray for Pope Francis and the synod delegates
that their hearts will be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit
we pray to the lord

Let us pray for our divided world
that we will find eyes and ears to see and hear each other with
kindness and hope
we pray to the lord

Let us pray for our mother countries
that the first homes of faith will be open to hear the gospel again
we pray to the lord

Let us pray for those who have felt condemned by the church
that they will find it in their hearts to forgive us
we pray to the lord

Let us pray for our Christian sisters and brothers
that we can recover the original faith that once held us together
we pray to the lord

For our own personal intentions...

Next gathering Monday November 20 at 10:15

*What unbelievers can teach us about the
mystery of God*

Monday, October 16, 2023

A warm welcome to everybody!

ENLARGE THE TENT

"Removing our sandals before
the Sacred Ground of the Other"

The Art of Accompaniment Part Two with Fr. Tim Boyle.
Sessions will be livestreamed at 10:30 am, followed by
Mass at 11:15 am. Third Monday of the month.

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**MONDAY,
OCT 16 AT
10:30 AM**

*A petrified Church...
How did we get here?*

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NOV 20 AT
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Checking in...

How has your view of the world changed... a place to be avoided... a place where goodness can be found? Where do you think church needs to become more adaptable?

Removing our Sandals before the sacred Ground of the Other

Christianity became a Religion

Too slow to realize drawback

Gradual exultation of church

Secularization end of Christianity

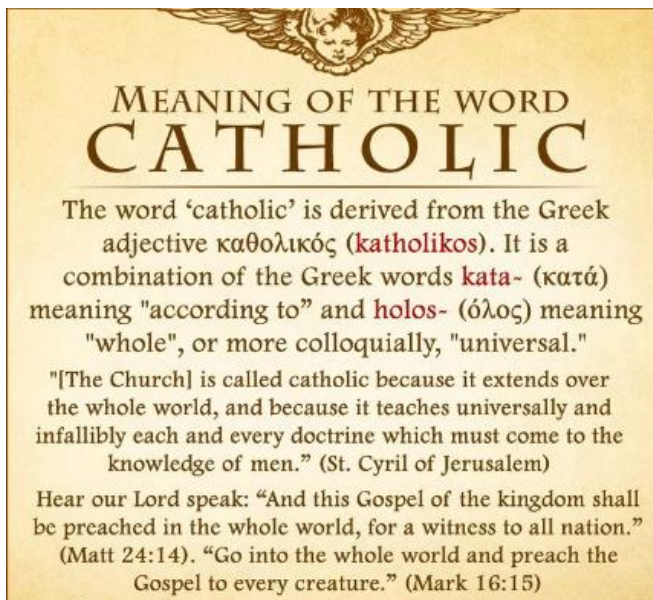
Nostalgia and trauma of change

Birth to Catholicism

Catholicism = coherent system create security with emphasis on papal authority, distrust of laity

Gospel process of osmosis into world

Vatican II first effort move from Catholicism to catholicity



Paul's efforts to establish Christianity

Catholicism resist tight borders

Vatican II marriage proposal too late

Post-modern world

Culture wars inside church

Unbundling of sources

They approach church selectively

Courtyard of gentiles

Resist zeal of revolutionary last judgement

Christianity is incarnational

How to handle two faces secular humanism Christianity

Prodigal son. Two brothers, same father and same mother Europe

Secularization prevent church from falling into temptation to return to old form

Church is mystery. Know where she is but not where she is not

Total unity only at end separate concrete experience from final end

Incarnation takes place by enculturation

Always respecting freedom of conscience rejecting any form of manipulation

*In the Second Vatican Council "under the guidance of the [Holy] Spirit the Church has rediscovered as constitutive of herself the charismatic dimension.... The **institutional aspect** and the **charismatic** are quasi coessential to the constitution of the Church, even if in a diverse way, to her life, to her renewal and to the sanctification of the People of God" (n. 4). Card. Ratzinger*