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THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Dear faithful,

During the Easter season, as we contemplate the figure of Our Lord risen from the dead, let us focus on the title of Good Shepherd, one of His most famous titles. We are familiar with the expressions as “The Lord is my Shepherd” or “Jesus as The Good Shepherd”, by which Christians express their personal attachment to the person of Our Lord. But there is a need to sort out a few things, in order to recognize the true meaning of the title of Our Lord as the Good Shepherd in a Catholic fashion, that is to say in a traditional Catholic way.

But first of all, let us find out in what manner the title of Good Shepherd has been hijacked by modernists during the past fifty years. There is no doubt that, besides the introduction of the vernacular in the Mass, the inclusion of contemporary music in the liturgy was one of the most noticeable signs of the liturgical revolution that followed the Council Vatican II. One may remember the crazy days of the “folk Mass” with the guitar and all that new stuff that now we abhor.

Following these changes, an entire body of older Protestant hymnody and newly composed contemporary Catholic liturgical music was introduced in the new hymnal books. The treasure of the Traditional Catholic musical heritage of 2000 years was thrown out and being replaced by musical compositions that could be used either by Catholics or by Protestants. As a matter of fact, several pieces from the late 20th century Catholic corpus became commonplace among American mainline Protestants. The ecumenical intention of the reformers was obvious. They wanted a liturgy that could be use both by Catholics and Protestants in their religious services.

Fr. Joseph Gelineau, a French Jesuit was one of the most prolific composer of this modern-Catholic musical pieces, and his influence spread not only within the French speaking areas, but also in the English-speaking world. Fr. Gelineau is well know for his hymn “The Lord is my shepherd.” Fr. Gelineau’s famous hymn fitted quite well with the ecumenical spirit of the New Liturgy, because, for many Protestants, the knowledge of Our Lord as a Good Shepherd is limited to Psalm 22: *“The Lord ruleth me: and I shall want nothing.”*

But now, the publication of the Traditional Roman Hymnal answered to the need of a hymnal book purified from the protestant spirit that infiltrated a number of Catholic church music compositions after the Council. Thanks to the Angelus Press, that released last summer the second edition of that book dedicated in filial gratitude to Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre, who initiated the “survival operation” of the traditional liturgy through the God-given Society of St. Pius X.

For us, Catholics faithful to tradition, the title of Our Lord as the Good Shepherd has a deep meaning, based to the words of Our Lord, addressed to the Pharisees: *“The good shepherd giveth his life for his sheep”* (John X, 11). According to Jesus, to be proved good; a shepherd must be prepared to give up his life fighting in defence of his sheep, which was fulfilled in Christ when He bore the Cross for us, that by His own death He might destroy the eternal death that men deserved because of their sins.

But the words of Our Lord *I am the good shepherd*, were first addressed to the Jews, to reproach them of their infidelity as was said by the voice of Ezechiel: *“Thus saith the Lord God: Woe to the shepherds of Israel ... the weak you have not strengthened, neither have you sought that which was lost... And my sheep were scattered, because there was no shepherd: and they became the prey of all the beasts of the field and were scattered... and there was none that sought them, none, I say, that sought them (Ezcch. xxjdv. 3).*

These words of Ezechiel had a prophetic meaning, not only in the mouth of Our Lord, who condemned the hypocritical behaviour of the Pharisees, but also for our times. As a matter of fact, we can say that the crisis of the Church is a crisis of shepherds who are not leading the faithful as they should do. We were warned by Our Lord, who reminded his disciples a few hours before His Passion *“All you shall be scandalized in me this night. For it is written: I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be dispersed.”* (Matthew 26:31). Yes, indeed, the shepherd has been stricken, and the sheep scatter because they don't receive proper guidance.

Now, here is a recent example, taken from a book whose title is ***The Lost Shepherd***. Philip Lawler, the man that penned that book, is a respected Catholic commentator and former unconditional Pope-Francis supporter. The author of that book is outlining how the pontiff has become a “lost shepherd” who is “leading the Church away from the ancient sources of the faith.” Philip Lawler confessed that “for months, in my work reporting on the daily news from the Vatican, I did my best to provide reassurance – for my readers and sometimes for myself – that despite his sometimes-alarming remarks, Francis was not a radical, was not leading the Church away from the ancient sources of the faith. But gradually, reluctantly, painfully, I came to the conclusion that he was.” Lawler states as well that Francis is the most divisive Pope in modern times. “The Roman pontiff should be a focus of unity in the Church,” Lawler says in the book. “Francis, regrettably, has become a source of division.”

Our heart is broken when we witness how far the shepherds of the Church have been stricken by this crisis of the Church, which is a revolution affecting all levels of the life of the Church, up and including the top of its hierarchy.

But meanwhile, we should always remember the promises of Our Lord “the gates of hell shall not prevail against her”. That is why, during this Easter season, let us make reparation for the scandal of the confusion of the sheep, and pray the Good Shepherd so that He will send us good shepherds that will take good care of the faithful, and not be afraid to make the sacrifice of their life for the good of the sheep.

Fr. Dominique Boulet

Upcoming events:

Corpus Christi procession in St. Catharines, Sunday June 3

Summer camps for boys, July 15-22; for girls, July 22-29; canoe camp, July 9-14

Visit of Bishop de Galarreta, September 28-29. HE will give the sacrament of confirmation in Toronto and attend the Canadian Martyrs' pilgrimage to Midland.

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Activities:

• Church of the Transfiguration, Toronto:

• Special:

- Youth meeting, **Sunday April 8**. See Patrick Michalski or Fr. Boulet
- All Day of Adoration before the Bl. Sacrament, **Tuesday April 10**
- Home Schoolers Day, **Thursday April 19**
- Altar Boys practice, 3rd Sat. of the Month, **Saturday April 21**
- Franciscan 1/3 Order meeting, **Sunday April 15**
- Patrician Meeting, **Saturday April 14**

The Patrician meetings are opened to all parishioners though sponsored by our praesidium of the Legion of Mary, under the form of a discussion on a chosen topic.

• Regular:

- Confessions on Sunday 30 minutes before each Mass. Friday 6:30pm, 1st Saturdays 8:30am and on request
- Rosary before the Bl. Sacrament Wednesday 7:00pm
- Legion of Mary meetings: Tuesday 7:00pm
- 2nd collection for St. Joseph Bursary, 2nd Sunday of the Month
- 2nd collection for Building Fund, 4th Sunday of the Month

• Holy Face of Jesus Church – St. Catharines:

- Confessions usually one hour before Mass
- Every Tuesday, from 7 to 8pm, Holy Hour devotion to the Holy Face
- 1st Friday & Saturday devotions
- **For more details, see the monthly sheet published by Fr. Lillis**

- **Church of the Canadian Martyrs, Orillia:**
 - Confessions usually one hour before Mass
 - Home Schoolers Day, **Monday April 16**

- **St. Peter's Church, New Hamburg:**
 - For details, see the monthly bulletin from St. Peter's

Eucharistic Crusaders Intention for April:

For the holiness of the home of the Catholic Family

Our departed souls for April:

Please pray for the repose of the souls those whose anniversary appears this month: Bishop Antonio de Castro Mayer, Fr. Nicholas Gruner, Rev. Father Denis Roch, Br. Jean-Marie Lefebvre, Louise Patry, Francis Beck, Irene Boivin, Johanna Klara Sinch, May Luella Doherty, Carl Terpstra, Giuseppe Speciale, Ilona Feher, Caroline Nightingale, Debbie Werbick, Elizabeth (Betty) Judin, Maria Burke Jose Alberto Cota Leonardo, Mary Le Forestier, John Seifert, Mary Leale, Edgar Dwart, Alfred Kufner, Stan & Teresa Lenkovski, Patricia Adamkiewicz, Adriana Vallejos, Joyce Bryant, Antonetta Timmermans, Silvia Rocke, Ronnie Sison, John Vennari.

Requiescant in pace.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

1. The Gender Theory, Part Two

By Rev. David Sherry SSPX

We are deeply grateful to Fr. David Sherry, Principal of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Academy, for this study of the Gender Theory. In this second part, Father moves on to explain the tenets of that theory and their disastrous consequences. SSPX Ontario bulletin editor.

Actual Theory

Until 1955, the word gender referred only to nouns in Grammar. In French, a book is masculine, and a chair is feminine. In 1955, "sexologist" John Money (in addition to being in favour of what he called "affectional pedophilia") invented the term so that he could distinguish between what he called:

- **Biological sex** - a physical and biological reality due to the presence of male or female sex organs; and
- **Gender** which is a learned thing (acting like a man or a woman in any way: mannerisms, deportment, demeanour.)

The theory's key points are:

- Each one is free to choose the sexuality he prefers. One is neither male nor female objectively - it depends on what one decides oneself.
- Biological differences are meaningless, there is in fact a “polymorphous sexuality” existing of five or six genders.
- Reproduction should be technical (by means of test tubes and suchlike), not biological (that is, the way designed by the Creator), therefore:
 - Homosexuals have a right to have children (should atheists have the right to be Catholics?)
 - Maternity (women having children) is oppression.
- To achieve the goal of imposing gender theory, children must be taught to no longer consider themselves as boys or girls but should be instructed to choose.

The greatest of pagan philosophers, Aristotle, said that if someone denies self-evident truths (such as “a man is a man” and “a man is not a woman,”) then there was really no point arguing with them, because they were unable to think. However, it is worthwhile seeing these arguments, in case you do come across a person who believe the gender theory and who is willing to discuss rationally.

- Firstly, man is a “rational animal” made of body and soul. His soul is neither male nor female. What makes the difference between man and body is the body, not essentially in the soul. Because of that men and women are equal in their soul – we are all one species. Men and women are equally called to eternal life and the greatest human person is a woman because She, blessed among all women, is She whose soul is the most beautiful after Christ’s. If you say that you can decide to be a man or a woman, then you are saying that the difference is not in the body but in the soul. If it is in the soul, then there are two different types of soul. Men and women would be essentially different, not one species – where is your equality then?
- Secondly, the theory in itself is contradictory. They say that “I am a man trapped in a woman’s body” and that “the body is meaningless” as to your gender. How can those both be true? Also, some of these people hold that they are “gender-fluid,” that is, they decide which gender they are when they wake up in the morning? If that is the case, then it is like deciding whether you will have coffee or tea. It is meaningless.
- Thirdly, as the popular book had it, “Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus.” The differences between men and women are in every cell of our bodies. Watch men go shopping. They park their car as close to the door as possible, they get in and they get out as soon as they can. Women go and start smelling and feeling

the bread and the vegetables and everything else. They take their time and then they change their mind.

- Fourthly, if you're not able to see the obvious, then God has spelled it out for you. "Then the Lord God cast a deep sleep upon Adam: and when he was fast asleep, he took one of his ribs, and filled up flesh for it. And the Lord God built the rib which he took from Adam into a woman: and brought her to Adam. And Adam said: This now is bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called woman, because she was taken out of man. Wherefore a man shall leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they shall be two in one flesh." (*Gen 2, 21-24*)

Consequences

You could add a fifth reason why this theory is wrong, it is extremely dangerous to man.

- Any psychologist worth his salt will tell you that it is primarily sin and the denial of reality that leads to psychological problems. If you have cancer and you accept that fact, you can cope with God's help. If you have cancer and deny it, how can you actually cope? If you are poor and act as if you are rich, you will drive yourself and your spouse crazy. If you are a man and you pretend that you are a woman, then you are not living in the real world.
- Denial of significance to the body is angelism. The angelism that leads to a liturgy devoid of beauty and a spiritual life devoid of penance. Our body is an essential part of us. To pretend that it doesn't matter whether I am a man, or a woman is unreality which again leads to psychosis. The person who chooses their gender places themselves in an unreal world.
- Gender theory, the "homosexual agenda," and the denial to each of natural fatherhood and motherhood prevents the blossoming of individual humans as each was created to "be fruitful and multiply." Only androgynous sterility is left.
- Denial of a goal and even of purely natural goods such as natural marriage to human beings leads to despair and suicide. As the existentialist author Albert Camus said: "There is only one truly serious philosophical problem, and that is suicide."

Satan is out to destroy everything that God creates. This current plot of his is not one to rationally fight, because it is not based on any rational basis. It is to be fought on the level of the spiritual. They say "we decide who we are ourselves;" we say "he made us and not we ourselves." They say "it's my body, I can do what I want;" we say "our body is Christ's and Christ is God's." They have "pride month," let us have "humility month." The pride of Satan is humbled by a woman who did not make herself a woman but was predestined by God to be The Woman. Let us turn to Her and to St. Michael to cry for us again "Who is like God?"

Rev. Fr. David Sherry SSPX

2. Catholic Church, Where Are You Going?

Next April 7, a very special conference will be held in Rome to show the Catholic Church the way to go, after the uncertain journey of the first five years of the pontificate of Pope Francis.

The reckoning of this five-year period, in fact, is rather critical, to judge from the title of the conference: “Catholic Church, where are you going?” And even more so if one looks at the subtitle: “Only a blind man can deny that in the Church there is great confusion.”

This is taken from a statement of Cardinal Carlo Caffarra (1938-2017), not forgotten as an endorser, together with other cardinals, of those “dubia” submitted in 2016 to Pope Francis for the purpose of bringing clarity on the most controversial points of his magisterium, but which he has left without a response.

In a Church seen as being set adrift, the key question that the conference will confront will be precisely that of redefining the leadership roles of the “people of God,” the characteristics and limitations of the authority of the pope and the bishops, the forms of consultation of the faithful in matters of doctrine.

These are questions that were thoroughly explored, in his time, by a great cardinal who is often cited both by progressives and by conservatives in support of their respective theses, Blessed John Henry Newman.

And there will be other cardinals and bishops who will once again confront these questions, at the conference on April 7. Their names have not been released yet, but they are expected to include the signers of the “dubia,” and others who share their outlook.

In any case, there has already been confirmation of the contributions - with video messages - of two very representative cardinals: the Chinese Joseph Zen Zekiun, bishop emeritus of Hong Kong, and the Nigerian Francis Arinze. But there will also be presentations by lay scholars.

The final and culminating moment of the conference will be in any case the reading of a “declaratio,” a concise profession of faith on the points of doctrine and morality that are most controversial today. Unlike the “dubia,” the declaration will not bear any specific signature, but the participants at the conference will propose it for the whole Church and for the world, as the voice of “baptized and confirmed members of the People of God.”

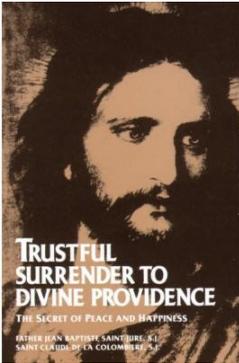
From Sandro Magister (Excerpts)

Source: Settimo Cielo Blog

Note from SSPX ON bulletin editor: the SSPX recognizes that source of the present-day confusion goes beyond the pontificate of Pope Francis. It comes from the Council Vatican II, that has been hijacked by the modernists.

3. Book selection

a. Trustful surrender to Divine Providence



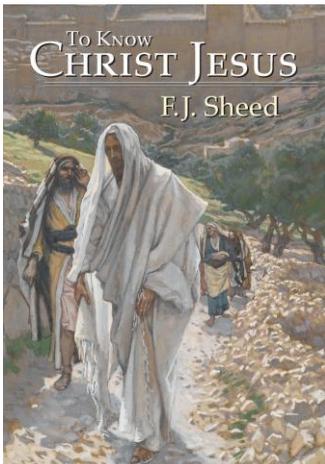
The authors: Father Jean Baptiste Saint-Jure, and St. Claude de la Colombière, two French Jesuits of the 17th century. This is a wonderful book for anyone suffering or coping with depression, stress, anxiety or other related issues.

To trust in God’s will is the “secret of happiness and content,” the one sure-fire way to attain serenity in this world and salvation in the next. *Trustful Surrender* simply and clearly answers questions that many Christians have regarding God’s will, the existence of evil, and the practice of trustful surrender. This enriching classic will lay to rest many doubts and fears and open the door to peace and acceptance of God’s will. This pocket-sized edition helps you to carry it wherever you go, to constantly remind yourself that God is guarding you, and He does not send you any joy too great to bear or any trial too difficult to overcome.

Book of 129 pages, published by TAN

b. To Know Christ Jesus

The author: F. J. Sheed was one of the best-known Catholic apologists of the 20th century. He and his wife, Masie, founded the Catholic publishing house of Sheed & Ward, which published Dorothy Day, Jacques Maritain, Christopher Dawson, and G. K Chesterton, among many others. They were also outstanding public lecturers as part of the Catholic Evidence Guild.



The book: this is a new edition of Frank Sheed’s classic work. On its own, his masterful account of the life of Christ Jesus—taking the reader far outside the realm of biography and into a wholly new kind of experience, where past is present in the depths of our interior lives—would be enough to guide one’s meditations and reflections. But Christ walks again among the pages of this book in a unique way: over 100 illustrations from the French artist James Tissot’s outstanding series on the Life of Christ have been carefully selected and chronologically placed. Sheed’s concern is not to prove something but to meet Someone. Here we meet Christ in the fullness of his divine and human natures: in his obedience, his compassion, his tears, his joy, his relation to Mary and the disciples, and in his unequalled and unsparing words that mined the depths of

reality, and of real lives.

Book of 353 pages, published by Angelico Press

MASS TIMES FOR APRIL 2018

	Feasts	Toronto	St. Catharines	St Peter's New Hamburg	OLMC New Hamburg	Orillia/Sudbury
March 29	Holy Thursday	7:00pm	7:00pm	6:30pm		OR 7:00pm
30	Good Friday	2:15pm Sts. 3pm Liturg.	2:15pm Sts. 3pm Liturg.	2:15pm Sts. 3pm Liturg.		OR 2:15pm Stations 3pm Liturg.
31	Holy Saturday	10:30pm	10:30pm	10:30pm		OR 10:30pm
April 1	Easter Sunday	Midnight 8:00am 10:30am	Midnight 10:00am	Midnight 10:00am		OR Midnight & 10:00am
2	Easter Monday	7:15am		6:30pm		
3	Easter Tuesday	7:15am 6:00pm		8:00am		
4	Easter Wednesday	7:15am Ros. 7:00pm		8:00am		
5	Easter Thursday	7:15am		8:00am		
6	Easter Friday & 1 st Fri. of the Month	7:15am 7:00pm	HH 5pm Mass 6pm	6:30pm Mass + HH		
7	Easter Saturday & 1 st Saturday of the Month	9am HH 10:00am	Mass 9:00am Dev. after	Mass 8:00am Dev. after		
8	Low Sunday	8:00am 10:30am 5:00pm	10:00am	7:30am 10:00am		Orillia 10:00am
9	Annunciation of the BVM	7:15am 7:00pm			11:10am	
10	Ferial	7:15am 6:00pm			11:10am	
11	St. Leo I	7:15am Ros. 7:00pm			11:10am	
12	Ferial	7:15am 11:00am			11:10am	
13	St. Hermenegild	7:15am Ros. 7:00pm		6:30pm		
14	Sts. Justin, Tiburtius & Maximus	7:15am 8:00am			8:00am	

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15	Good Shepherd Sunday	8:00am 10:30am 5:00pm	10:00am	7:30am 10:00am	5:00pm Vesp & Ben.	Orillia 10:00am
16	Ferial	7:15am 7:00pm		8:00am	11:10am	Orillia 11:00am
17	Ferial (St. Anicetus)	7:15am 6:00pm		8:00am	11:10am	
18	Ferial	7:15am Ros. 7:00pm		8:00am	11:10am	
19	Ferial	7:15am		8:00am	11:10am	
20	Ferial	7:15am 7:00pm		6:30pm	6:30am	
21	St. Anselm	8:00am	9:00am	8:00am	8:00am	Sudbury 6:00pm
22	3 rd Sunday after Easter	8:00am 10:30am 5:00pm	10:00am	7:30am 10:00am 8:00am	5:00pm Vesp & Ben.	Sudbury 10:00am
						Orillia 10:00am
23	Ferial	7:15am		8:00am	11:10am	
24	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen	7:15am 6:00pm		8:00am	11:10am	
25	St. Mark, the Evangelist	7:15am Ros. 7:00pm		8:00am	11:10am	
26	Sts. Cletus & Marcellinus	7:15am		6:30pm	11:10am	
27	St. Peter Canisius	7:15am 7:00pm		6:30pm	6:30am	
28	St. Paul of the Cross	8:00am	9:00am	8:00am	8:00am	
29	4 th Sunday after Easter	8:00am 10:30am 5:00pm	10:00am	7:30am 10:00am	5:00pm Vesp & Ben.	Orillia 10:00am
30	St. Catherine of Siena	7:15am		8:00am	11:10am	

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