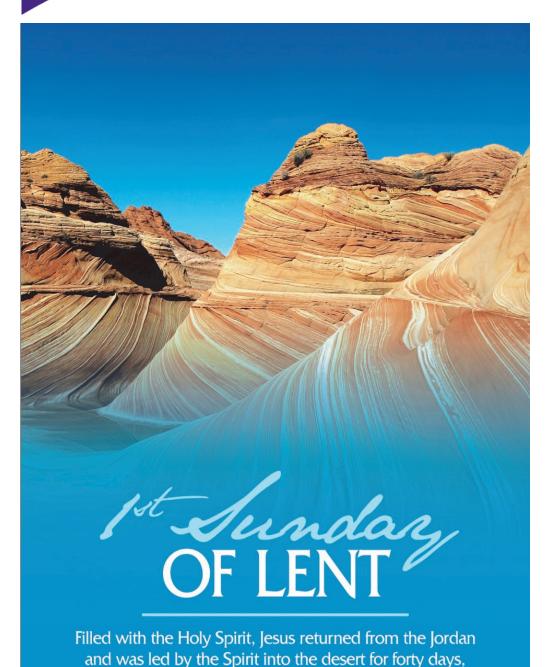


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**CATHOLIC CHURCH** 



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#### **OUR PARISH MISSION**

We are a welcoming
Christian family
committed to Catholic
values, responding
to the call of Christ
revealed in the diversity
of human need. We
practice a conscious,
living, active faith
in a community whose
source of strength is
the Eucharist.

#### Miraculous Prayer to the Little Flower

O Little flower of Jesus, ever consoling troubled souls with heavenly graces, in our unfailing intercessions I place my confident trust. From the heart of our Divine Savior, petition the blessings of which I stand in greatest need......Shower upon me your promised roses of virtue and grace, Dear St. Therese, so that swiftly advancing in sanctity and perfect love of neighbor, I may someday receive the crown of life eternal.

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

to be tempted by the devil. - Lk 4:1-2a

March 6, 2022 First Sunday of Lent

# **Catechesis and Policy on Questions Concerning Gender Theory (Part 1 of 2)**

By Archbishop Jerome Listecki

- 1. **PREFACE** "The truth will set you free" (Jn. 8:32). Christ's words to his disciples call Christians in every age to embrace the truth of who we are as children of God, for only in embracing this truth can we be set free. This is Christ's promise to which Catholics assent with mind and heart, and this promise is the foundation of the Church's moral teachings. The Second Vatican Council stated that, "inspired by no earthly ambition, the Church seeks but a solitary goal: to carry forward the work of Christ under the lead of the befriending Spirit. And Christ entered this world to give witness to the truth, . . . To carry out such a task, the Church has always had the duty of scrutinizing the signs of the times and of interpreting them in the light of the Gospel. Thus, in language intelligible to each generation, she can respond to the perennial questions which men ask about this present life and the life to come, and about the relationship of the one to the other. We must therefore recognize and understand the world in which we live. . ." (Gaudium et spes, 3-4). Each generation presents moral challenges to which the Church must respond as mother and as teacher. It is ever the duty of the Church both to listen patiently to the struggles of her children and also to instruct them clearly on the path to the fullness of life and freedom. As St. Paul VI writes, "It is an outstanding manifestation of charity toward souls to omit nothing from the saving doctrine of Christ." In the past decade, there has been increased attention paid to gender dysphoria and gender discordance, especially among young children and adolescents, coupled with the widespread notion that the solution to such dysphoria is to affirm one's "experienced gender" over and against one's biological sex. This prompts the Church to provide catechesis and policy for all the faithful, especially for Church employees, personnel, and others who work in parishes, organizations, and institutions of the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.
- 2.1 The Church teaches that the human person, created in the image and likeness of God, is a "unified creature composed of body and soul." The soul is the spiritual principle of each human person and the "subject of human consciousness and freedom." Yet man is truly himself only "when his body and soul are intimately united." The human person is not a soul or a mind that has a body merely as a biological accessory. Rather, the human person is a body formed by a soul.8 Human life and love are "always lived out in body and spirit," and thus the body is a "vital expression of our whole being." 10 So integral, in fact, is the body to who we are as human beings that the body and soul together are fashioned and "destined to live forever." 11 The creed expresses a belief in the "resurrection of the body," or the belief that all persons will "rise again with their own bodies which they now bear." 12 The body which will one day rise is the very body which each person received as a gift and in which each person lives out his vocation to holiness. 13
- **2.2** Our biological sex, expressed by our body, is a gift from God and is unchangeable. A person's biological sex is expressed in and through the body. It cannot be changed because it is bestowed by God as a gift and as a calling, and "the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." Biological sex is a gift because in the very act of creation, God bestows upon each human person a biological sex—"Male and female he created them" two sexes that are different, equal, and complementary. It is a calling because we work out our salvation via our masculinity or femininity. In other words, human persons do not experience the freedom and joy of salvation despite their biological sex, but only in it and through it.
- **2.3 A person's "gender" is inseparable from biological sex**. The *Catechism* states that "Sexuality affects all aspects of the human person in the unity of his body and soul" CCC 2332). Therefore, while biological sex and "gender" or the socio-cultural role of sex as well as "psychological identity" can be distinguished, they can never be separated. Should someone experience a tension between biological sex and "gender," they should know that this interior conflict is not sinful in itself but rather reflects "the broader disharmony caused by original sin" and often results from the residue of social ills and cultural distortions of what constitutes "masculinity" and "femininity." Such persons should be treated with respect and with charity, and "no one should suffer bullying, violence, insults, or unjust discrimination" based on such experiences. However, charity "needs to be understood, confirmed, and practiced in the light of truth," and thus such persons should be encouraged to seek harmony between their biological sex and "gender" not through a rejection of one or the other, but through turning to Christ and to all that the Church provides. Only by turning to Christ can one acknowledge and accept one's sexual identity in every aspect physical, moral, social, and spiritual and only through such an acceptance can the human person in turn experience the freedom promised by Christ.

March 6, 2022

Fr. Campbell's Wednesday 6am Men's Bible Study will meet using ZOOM. Contact Fr. Campbell for the link at frcampbell@olmckenosha.org.



The MARIAN HOUR with Fr. Campbell WSFI 88.5 FM & and now also on 750AM every 2nd & 4th Wednesday. Next program: Wed. March 9 at 2pm.

PRAY for the SICK in our PARISH, and visit them if possible: Maria Miller, Pat Ware, William Wasurick, Mary Jo Koski,



Phyllis Giovannoni, Florence Klappa, Daniel Lenegar, Jennifer Johnson, Laurie Smith, Jean Ammendola, Maria Koble, Aileen Hafferkamp, Billie Knutsen, Richard & Kathleen Bertola, Lawrence W. Klein Sr., Diana Sauter, Donald Glade. Please call the rectory for other sick persons 694-4695.



Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 13. Remember to turn your clocks forward one hour.

**40 Days for Life** continues w/prayer at Planned Parenthood 1601 N. Lewis Ave., Waukegan, IL, 8 am-6 pm daily.

> LENTEN PARISH MISSION at St. Therese Church Sunday March 27 - Thurs. March 31, 7pm will be preached by Msgr. Arthur Calkins, S.T.D. world-renowned expert on the BV Mary, the Hearts of Jesus & Mary, and St. Joseph

Msgr. Calkins will talk discuss various topics: Mary's role as Co-redemptrix & Mediatrix of All Grace, Consecration to Mary, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Joseph Please plan to attend this Lenten mission, and to invite family members and friends!

Our insurance the archdiocese recommends that whenever anyone is volunteering for any activity in the parish, try to have at least two people in the event of an unexpected injury.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLE: Next Mtg is Mon., 3/14 at 9 a.m. Join us to meet new friends & learn about opportunities to support St. Therese Parish & one another. We offer childcare to enable moms to join us! Let Jean Marie at 262-764-1864 how many kids to expect. CHURCH CLEANING CREW: Families/all ages welcome! Thurs. 3/17 (a) 6 p.m. If daytime works better contact Jan at (262) 331-4734.

**Change in Friday Eucharistic Adoration Schedule During Lent:** because of weekly fish fry Friday adoration will end at 3pm (rather than 5pm). Also, no all-night Eucharistic adoration on the First Fridays of March and April.

#### **Parish Support**

Weekend of February 20, 2022

\$3,780.00

Budgeted weekly need... \$5,010.00 Weekly offertory \$3,780.00 Over/Under budget (\$1,230.00)Plan YTD \$155,298.00 \$179,982.00 Actual Excess (7 months) \$24,594.00

**LENTEN STATIONS of the CROSS:** Wednesdays following 5:45pm Mass at St. Therese. Fridays 5:30pm at Mt. Carmel.



Paladins Youth Group enjoyed Nerf Gun games. Paladins meets twice a month, grades 6 and up. For info. contact Heather at 262-925-3187

#### Course by Fr. Campbell on Papal Encyclicals

When: Tuesdays of March: 8, 15 & 22, 7-8:30pm

Where: St. Therese Church, 2020 91<sup>st</sup> St.

March 8: Pope Leo XIII: On the Rosary (cont'd); and On St.

Joseph, Quamquam Pluries, Aug. 15, 1889

March 15: Pope Pius XII: Mary Queen of Heaven, Ad Caeli

Reginam, Oct. 11, 1954

March 22: Pope Pius XII: Mary Oueen of Heaven (cont'd) \*Encyclicals can be found on Internet: type in name of encyclical google search, or go to the Vatican website: www.Vatican.va

#### St. Therese Church DRIVE-UP Fish Fry Fundraiser

March 11, 18, 25 / April 1, 8 / 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm \$14.00 Cash or Check [payable to St. Therese] **MENU**: 3 pc. Fried Cod, Tartar sauce, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Cookies

#### **Men of Christ Conference Saturday March 26**

"Reawakening the Catholic Man: A Life Rooted in Virtue" 2 Locations: HOLY ROSARY Church: 7:30am Patriotic Rosary 8am Morning Mass 8:30 Coffee & Bagels 8:30 Confessions Begin - OR - ST ANNE Church: 7am Morning Mass 7:30 Patriotic Rosary 7:30 Confessions Begin 8:00 Breakfast 8:45 Opening Remarks 9:10am First Talk: Kevin O'Brien The Wakeup Call 9:30 Second Talk: Fr. Burke Masters Authentic Masculinity 10:25 Third Talk: Fr. Cajetan Cuddy Spiritual Weaponry 11:00 Fourth Talk: Dr. Peter Kreeft Retaking the Culture by Remaking the Culture 11:45 We Need Heroes, Archbishop Jerome Listecki 12:00 Angelus 12:15 Benediction 12:30 Wrap-up, Lunch REGISTER at MenofChrist.net.

Women's Bible Study begins at St. Therese Wed. March 9 **10-11:30am**: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion by Edward Sri (from EWTN). 5 weekly sessions. New members welcome. Contact Sharon 515-5779 or Patti 857-7415.

**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** will burn this week for John Ruggiero requested by Terry Ruggiero and in grateful recognition of Our Lord's Sacramental Presence in our tabernacle.



Pro-Life Quote: "To experience the gift of married love while respecting the laws of conception is to acknowledge that one is not the master of the sources of life but rather the minister of the design established by the Creator." (St. Paul VI, Humanae Vitae)

## MASS INTENTIONS for the Week

Monday, March 7

8:00 AM † Mary Doherty (Sharon Kirsch)

Tuesday, March 8

8:00 AM † Nancy Olivito (Joe DeCesaro)

Wednesday, March 9

5:45 PM † John Stancato Jr., Elizabeth Stancato

**Thursday, March 10** 8:00 AM † No Mass

Friday, March 11

8:00 AM † Margie Tradewell (Sharon Kirsch)

Saturday, March 12

4:00 PM † Ralph Hewitt Jr. † Sue Blanton (Jan Sleyster)

Sunday, March 13

8:30 AM † John Ruggiero † Joseph & Regina Pumpera † Mary Marasa

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

### Saints & Readings: Week of March 6, 2022

Sunday: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent, Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13 Monday: Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs, Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46 Tuesday: St. John of God, Religious, Is 55:10-11/Ps

34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: St. Frances of Rome, Religious, Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48 Next Sunday: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins, Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

#### Monday through Thursday 7:30 am to 2:45 pm Closed Friday

Please submit bulletin announcements in writing to the Parish Office or e-mail to valang@tds.net by 9:00 AM Thursday of the week before publication.

PRIVACY LAWS: Please notify the Parish Office if you or a family member is in the hospital, nursing home, hospice, etc. With the new privacy laws, medical institutions will not call unless you ask them to notify the Parish. If you would like a home visit, please call the Parish Office or Homebound Ministry.

Weekend Masses Saturday Evening 4:00 PM

Sunday Morning 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses Monday, Tuesday & Friday 8:00 AM Wednesday 5:45 PM

No 8:00 AM Mass on Thursday or Saturday

Holy Day Masses Please consult Sunday bulletin.
Confessions Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 PM

Sunday

First Fridays Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 AM Friday to

6:00 AM Saturday

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions (Follow the Wednesday 5:45 PM Mass)

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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Adults or children interested in baptism, reception into the Catholic Church, Confirmation and/or First Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

**Baptism** Please call the Parish Office to arrange for Baptism. Those who wish to have a child baptized must be attending Sunday Mass regularly for at least four months.

**Marriage** Please call the Pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements. Couples who are sharing the same abode will be asked to live separately prior to their marriage.

**Home Visitation** Anyone unable to attend Mass because of sickness/old age, contact the Parish Office.

**Estate Planning** Please keep St. Therese in mind when planning your estate. This is a wonderful gift that will last many years.