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Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



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Saturday Vigil/Vigilia los Sabados: 5:30 p.m. (English)

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9:00a.m. (*Español*)

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Mon. to Sat.: 8:15 a.m. (English)

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Friday: 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (English)

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OR ANYTIME BY APPOINTMENT WITH ONE OF THE PRIESTS

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Marriage: Call Parish Office for Preparation at least 6 months in advance and before setting a firm date.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Registration: We welcome new parishioners, fall visitors and visiting friends to our parish. New members are encouraged to visit the IHM office to complete a registration form. We encourage you to use your envelope even if your donation is a modest one; this helps us to know that you are an active parishioner.



RECENT EVENTS

1. Our pascuales working hard in preparation for our family fair.
2. America needs fatima praying the rosary for USA and world peace October 12. Month of the rosary and a worldwide day of praying of the rosary.

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"Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."**Mk 10:35-45**

Dear brothers and sisters this Sunday Gospel reflect our human frailty and our incapacity to love without interest, there is no doubt these two disciples loved Jesus and were his close followers, however, their human condition does not allow them to see what the most important value in life is. Like them, sometimes we ourselves act in the same exact way. We want the Lord to do for us wherever we ask him. It is the Lord who answers but also asks: what do you want me to do for you? He scrutinizes our hearts and helps us to see how ambitious, immature and vain we are.

We want power, prestige, and recognition! On the contrary he asks us to be humble and true servants of all. "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." We are very futile and advantageous.

As disciples we don't know what we are asking on the other hand we love authority we love others to do whatever we want and even without realizing we treat God in the same way.

Today the Lord is asking us to be true servants, the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served

but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." Once again, the Lord reminds us of the importance of service and salvation for all of them, why in the world we are still so passive about this.

How can we as Catholics commit to serve and support our church more and more, how can we bring comfort and relief to our people and those who are the most needed?

Let us look at the saint who forgetting about their plans and busy agendas went to the encounter of the poor. My heart is so close to a exemplary woman that has brought light in to my priestly ministry I did not have the opportunity to meet her personally but her love compassion and dedication is inspiration not just for me but for many people around the world.

Saint. Teresa of Calcutta once met an old man living in what she called "a most terrible condition." One of the many ways she and her Missionaries of Charity sisters took care of their beloved poor people was to go into their homes, where the sisters would clean their houses, wash their clothes, and give them baths. Mother talked with this old man and asked him for permission to clean his home. At first, he refused, but at last she convinced him to allow her to do it.

While she was cleaning, she found a very beautiful old lamp, covered with dirt and dust.

"Do you not light the lamp?" she asked him, as told in the book Mother Teresa: My Life for the Poor.

"For whom?" he replied. "Nobody comes here. I never see anybody. Nobody comes to me. I don't need to light the lamp."

"If the sisters come to you, will you light the lamp?" Mother Teresa asked.

"Yes, I'd do it!" he answered. After that day, the sisters would go to visit him, and he would light the lamp.

Years later, the old man asked the sisters to deliver a message to Mother Teresa: "Tell my friend, the light she lit in my life is still burning!"

The physical light that Mother Teresa uncovered in that old man's house was beautiful, but the spiritual light she and the sisters gave him burned even more brightly. It is not a coincidence that one of Mother's favorite prayers was a fervent supplication for this very light. The prayer, called "Radiating Christ," is by Cardinal John Henry Newman, and Mother prayed it daily with her sisters:

Dear Jesus, help me to spread Your fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Your spirit and life. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Yours. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Your presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus! Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as You shine, so to shine as to be a light to others; the light, O Jesus, will be all from You; none of it will be mine: it will be You shining on others through me. Let me thus praise You in the way You love best: by shining on those around me. Let me preach You without preaching, not by words, but by my example, by the catching force, the sympathetic influence of what I do, the evident fullness of the love my heart bears to You.

How an eighty-seven-year-old lady has set an example for us who sometimes claim to be too busy, too tired, too old, too young. I think that her secret is that she saw Jesus' face in the poor, the forgotten and ignored, the sick, the outcast, the needed, the marginalized, the victims of injustice war and hunger not just physical but spiritual hunger. And the face of Jesus in our brothers and sisters is so radiant it is impossible to ignore it.

It is true what you say or have expressed: that we priest come and go, that this is your community, but it is also true that during our ethereal or ephemeral passing by your lives our desire is to help you to see that Jesus has not hands but yours, not feet but yours, no mouth but yours etc. I propose to you, let us work together, let us make the difference in our community by truly serving others by looking constantly at Jesus and not just to what others are not doing.

Sincerely Father Alejandro Reyes Cardenas Rector

"Maestro, queremos que hagas por nosotros todo lo que te pidamos."**Marcos 10:35-45**

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, este Evangelio dominical refleja nuestra fragilidad humana y nuestra incapacidad de amar sin interés, no hay duda de que estos dos discípulos amaron a Jesús y fueron sus seguidores más cercanos, sin embargo, su condición humana no les permite ver cuál es el valor más importante en la vida. Como ellos, a veces nosotros mismos actuamos exactamente de la misma manera,

queremos que el Señor haga por nosotros aquello que le pedimos. Es el Señor quien responde, pero también pregunta: ¿qué quieres que haga por tí? Él escudriña nuestros corazones y nos ayuda a ver cuán ambiciosos, inmaduros y vanidosos somos.

¡Queremos poder, prestigio y reconocimiento! Al contrario, nos pide que seamos humildes y verdaderos servidores de todos. "Concédele en tu gloria podemos sentarnos uno a tu derecha y el otro a tu izquierda." Somos muy inútiles y ventajosos.

Como discípulos no sabemos lo que pedimos, por otro lado, amamos la autoridad, amamos a los demás para que hagan lo que queramos y aún sin darnos cuenta tratamos a Dios de la misma manera.

Hoy el Señor nos pide que seamos verdaderos servidores, esclavos de todos "porque el Hijo del Hombre no vino para ser servido sino para servir y dar su vida en rescate por muchos." Una vez más, el Señor nos recuerda la importancia del servicio y la salvación para todos ellos, por qué en el mundo seguimos tan pasivos ante esto.

¿Cómo podemos nosotros, como católicos, comprometernos a servir y apoyar cada vez más a nuestra iglesia, cómo podemos llevar consuelo y reanimación a nuestra gente y a los más necesitados?

Observemos al santo que olvidándose de sus planes y agendas ocupadas fue al encuentro de los pobres. Mi corazón está tan cerca de una mujer ejemplar que ha traído luz a mi ministerio sacerdotal que no tuve la oportunidad de conocerla personalmente, pero su amor, compasión y dedicación son inspiración no solo para mí sino para muchas personas en todo el mundo.

Santa Teresa de Calcuta conoció una vez a un anciano que vivía en lo que ella llamó "la condición más terrible". Una de las muchas maneras en que ella y sus hermanas Misioneras de la Caridad cuidaban de sus queridos pobres era entrando a sus casas, donde las hermanas limpiaban sus casas, lavaban su ropa y los bañaban. La madre habló con este anciano y le pidió permiso para limpiar su casa. Al principio él se negó, pero finalmente ella lo convenció para que le permitiera hacerlo.

Mientras limpiaba, encontró una lámpara vieja muy hermosa cubierta de tierra y polvo.

"¿No enciendes la lámpara?" le preguntó, como se cuenta en el libro Madre Teresa: Mi vida para los pobres.

"¿Para quién?" respondió. "Nadie viene aquí. Nunca veo a nadie, nadie viene a mí, no necesito encender la lámpara."

"Si las hermanas vienen a ti, ¿encenderás la lámpara?" Preguntó la Madre Teresa.

"Sí, lo haría!" respondió. Después de ese día, las hermanas iban a visitarlo y él encendía la lámpara.

Años más tarde, el anciano pidió a las hermanas que le entregaran un mensaje a la Madre Teresa: "Dile a mi amiga que la luz que ella encendió en mi vida sigue encendida!"

La luz física que la Madre Teresa descubrió en la casa de ese anciano era hermosa, pero la luz espiritual que ella y las hermanas le dieron ardió aún más intensamente. No es coincidencia que una de las oraciones

Favoritas de la Madre fuera una ferviente súplica por esta misma luz. La oración, llamada "Cristo irradiando", es del cardenal John Henry Newman, y la Madre la rezaba diariamente con sus hermanas:

Querido Jesús, ayúdame a difundir Tu fragancia dondequiera que vaya. Inunda mi alma con tu espíritu y tu vida. Penetra y posee todo mi ser tan completamente que toda mi vida sea sólo un resplandor tuyo. Brilla a través de mí y entra tan dentro de mí que cada alma con la que entre en contacto pueda sentir tu presencia en mi alma. ¡Que miren hacia arriba y ya no me vean a mí sino sólo a Jesús! Quédate conmigo y entonces comenzaré a brillar como tú brillas, para brillar como para ser una luz para los demás; la luz, oh, Jesús, será toda de ti; nada de eso será mío; serás tú brillando sobre los demás a través de mí. Déjame alabarte, así como más te gusta: brillando sobre quienes me rodean. Déjame predicarte sin predicar, no con palabras, sino con mi ejemplo, con la fuerza atrapante, la influencia comprensiva de lo que hago, la evidente plenitud del amor que mi corazón te tiene.

Cómo una señora de ochenta y siete años nos ha dado un ejemplo a nosotros, que a veces afirmamos que estamos demasiado ocupados, demasiado cansados, demasiado viejos o jóvenes. Creo que su secreto es que vio el rostro de Jesús en los pobres, los olvidados y los ignorados, los enfermos, los marginados, los necesitados, los marginados, las víctimas de la injusticia, la guerra y el hambre, no sólo física sino espiritual. Y el rostro de Jesús en nuestros hermanos y hermanas es tan radiante que es imposible ignorarlo.

Es verdad lo que dices o has expresado: que nosotros sacerdotes vamos y venimos, que esta es nuestra comunidad, pero también es cierto que durante nuestro paso volátil o efímero por vuestras vidas nuestro deseo es hacerlos ver que Jesús no tiene manos sino las nuestras, no pies sino los nuestros, no boca pero la tuya etc. Te propongo, trabajemos juntos, hagamos la diferencia en nuestra comunidad sirviendo

Verdaderamente a los demás mirando constantemente a Jesús y no solo a lo que otros no hacen.

Sinceramente Padre Alejandro Reyes Cardenas Rector

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE MISAS

~ Readings of the Week ~

VIGIL MASS/VIGILIA: Saturday/Sábado, October 19

- 5:30 PM † Pete Romero (by Family)
† Manuel Ramirez (by Family)

SUNDAY/DOMINGO, October 20

Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45

- 7:30 AM † Rebecca Spires (by David Medina)
† Mary Lou Briones (by Gloria)
Our Lady of Guadalupe (by Albert R. Perez)
- 9:00 AM (Sp) † Vicky Rey (por Rey Family)
† Mercedes Flores (por Teo Rodriguez)
† Saul Burciaga † Manuel Burciaga
(por Bertha Burciaga)
- 11:00 AM Prayer for Emotional Healing

Monday/Lunes, October 21

EPH 2:1-10/PS 100:1-5/LK 12:13-21

- 8:15 AM † Juan Apodaca Jr. (by Family)
Almas del Purgatorio (by Juana Chávez)

Tuesday/Martes, October 22

EPH 2:12-22/PS 85:9-14/LK 12:35-38

- 8:15 AM Prayer in Time of Loneliness
- 6:00 PM Ernesto Uranga por Salud (por Angie Sanchez)

Wednesday/Miércoles, October 23

EPH 3:2-12/IS 12:2-6/LK 12:39-48

- 8:15 AM Prayer for those suffering with Cancer

Thursday/Jueves, October 24

EPH 3:14-21/PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/LK 12:49-53

- 8:15 AM Alex Velazco for Health & Healing (by Lisa)
- 6:00 PM Raul López & Austin López por conversión
y salud (por Margarita López)

Friday/Viernes October 25

Eph 4:1-6/24:1-6/LK 12:54-59

- 8:15 AM †Biscotti Family (by Victoria Leach)

Saturday/Sabado, October 26

EPH 4:7-16/PS 122:1-5/LK 13:1-9

- 8:15 AM †Jesus Ayala †Angela Ayala (by Erlinda Moreno)
†Anthonette M. Alejandres
(by JoAnn Marquez)

WHAT IS HAPPENING

Please Join Father Alejandro and
Your fellow IHM Parishioners for an

All Hallow's Eve Saint Costume Party

on Thurs., Oct. 31, 2024
Beginning at 5:30PM
In Finley Hall

The celebration includes games, food, and a **contest**
where children are invited to dress as a Saint
and to prepare a short presentation about them


Prizes will be awarded!
Bring a dish to share
and join us for **this celebration**
that follows **Catholic teaching**

Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of All Saints

Friday,
November 1, 2024

Mass Times:
English: 8:15am, 12:10pm, 5:30pm
Spanish: 7:00pm



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Rebecca Archuleta at 575-640-6858

Saturday, Oct 26, 2024 at 10:00 AM at
Albert Johnson Park, 336 S. Main St.
in front of Branigan Library



"I HUNGER for the Bread of God,
the flesh of Jesus Christ...;
I LONG to drink of his blood,
The gift of UNENDING LOVE."

~Saint Ignatius of Antioch~



US Catholic anti-death penalty movement marks 15 years at critical juncture

Catholic Mobilizing Network, the leading Catholic anti-death penalty advocacy organization in the United States, marks 15 years of advancements, and reports on the momentum that can bring an end to capital punishment across the country.

By Krisanne Vaillancourt Murphy, Catholic Mobilizing Network*



After 15 years mobilizing Catholics to end the death penalty, advance justice and begin healing in the United States, Catholic Mobilizing Network (CMN) has arrived at a critical juncture. Our assessment is that the United States is on a trajectory to end the death penalty. How soon is up to us.

Our experience over the last 15 years confirms what we have always known — that faithful Catholics have the moral voice and mobilizing power to drive meaningful change in this country. Each time we act — as Catholics and in collaboration with all people of goodwill — we are moving one step closer to an end to capital punishment in the United States.

15 years of advancements

We are a lay-led organization and the only national, faith-based group working full-time for an end to capital punishment in the United States.

On October 10, Catholic Mobilizing Network celebrates its 15th anniversary on the World Day Against the Death Penalty. Catholic advocacy has catalyzed enormous progress in the abolition movement in recent years.

Since CMN was founded in 2009, nine new states have abolished the death penalty. Today, 29 states have either formally outlawed capital punishment or paused executions by executive action. An even deeper look reveals that 36 out of the 50 U.S. states have either abolished the death penalty or not carried out an execution for at least 10 years. Indeed, the trends toward abolition are moving in our favor.

Each year, tens of thousands of Catholics work with CMN to contact their state decision-makers to oppose upcoming executions and to support anti-death penalty legislation.

In 2018, at the request of Pope Francis, the then-Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith revised the Catechism of the Catholic Church and clarified that the death penalty is “inadmissible, because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person (2267).”

CMN has amplified this clarion call of the Church. We equip ministry leaders with resources for education and opportunities to effectively advocate against the death penalty, and offer a vision of justice that is rooted in healing — rather than vengeance. We advocate for an approach to justice that is restorative rather than punitive—a way that upholds the dignity of each person, no matter the harm one has caused or suffered.

Current landscape

We can see progress, yet there is much more work to get us over the finish line. While a majority of states have repealed the death penalty, harsh realities remind us that 21 states still have death penalty statutes on the books.

In September, five different states took the lives of five men at a pace unlike anything seen in decades, displaying the horrific injustice that runs rampant throughout this system of capital punishment. Moments like these confirm everything we know to be true about the death penalty: it’s contrary to human dignity, immoral, flawed, and useless.

But the tide is turning:

- As of July, 200 people imprisoned in the United States have been exonerated and freed from death row since 1973. Even as the use of the death penalty has steeply declined across the country, exonerations continue to occur, demonstrating the serious risk of executing the innocent.

- The 2024 Gallup Crime Survey reports that, for the first time ever, more Americans believe the death penalty is applied unfairly (50%) than fairly (47%).

- The editorial board of the New York Times, considered by many to be the most influential newspaper in the United States, issued a stinging opinion column this August that America does not need the death penalty.

Critical role of Catholics

It is against this backdrop of harm and of hope that CMN mobilizes Catholics. This is not just an act of faith; it’s a strategic investment. The national anti-death penalty movement recognizes Catholics as a critical force due to their substantial size and moral influence.

In states like Florida, Louisiana, Ohio, and Texas, where the death penalty still exists, the Catholic population is large, and its voice holds significant sway. Catholics are also well-represented in public office at all levels of government, and can rightly be influenced by faith-rooted arguments against the death penalty. The current president of the United States, President Joe Biden, is an active Catholic and declared a temporary moratorium on federal executions in the first year of his presidency.

Research shows that nearly 80% of Catholics are open to supporting

SAINT OF THE WEEK



St. John Paul II

Patron Saint of Youth and World Youth Day

Feast Day: Oct. 22



Karol Wojtyla learned a great deal from suffering. The boy, born in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland, lost his mother when he was nine. When he was twelve, his elder brother died. At age 19 the aspiring actor enrolled at university in Krakow to study his passion, Polish literature, but a year later Germany invaded Poland, the university closed, and the professors deported to concentration camps.

He worked in a stone quarry and came to know the world of manual laborers and the hardness of their lives. His father died in 1941, but with this new grief came clarity: “God was calling me to be a priest.”

He was ordained a priest in 1946. His bishop noticed his intellectual and spiritual gifts and sent him to complete a doctorate in Rome. In 1958, Wojtyla received news that he would become a bishop. The communist authorities had approved his appointment, believing that a “philosopher and poet” would not cause them much trouble. Were they ever wrong! He was a powerful preacher who began annually celebrating Christmas midnight Mass in a field for the inhabitants of Nowa Huta, a worker’s neighborhood that authorities had deliberately built without a church. From 1962–1965 Bishop Wojtyla participated extensively in Vatican Council II.

In 1978, Albino Luciani was elected Pope John Paul I, but died a month later. The Cardinals then elected Karol Wojtyla Pope; for the first time in 455 years, they elected a non-Italian. On October 22, 1978, Pope John Paul II cried out to the whole world, “Do not be afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ!”

To the shock of the world, on May 13, 1981, an assassin in Saint Peter’s Square fired 3 shots. a shot that stuck the Pope. He came close to death but somehow survived. He forgave the shooter on the spot but later made a trip to the prison to forgive the “brother who shot me” face-to-face.

John Paul II was diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease which eventually killed him in 2005. His last words were whispered, “Let me go to my Father’s house.”

San Juan Pablo II

Patrona de la Juventud y Jornada Mundial de la Juventud

Día festivo: 22 de octubre



Karol Wojtyla aprendió mucho del sufrimiento. El niño, nacido en 1920 en Wadowice, Polonia, perdió a su madre cuando tenía nueve años. Cuando tenía doce años, murió su hermano mayor. A los 19 años, el aspirante a actor se matriculó en la universidad de Cracovia para estudiar su pasión, la literatura polaca, pero un año después Alemania invadió Polonia, la universidad cerró y los profesores fueron deportados a campos de concentración.

Trabajó en una cantera de piedra y conoció el mundo de los trabajadores manuales y la dureza de sus vidas. Su padre murió en 1941, pero con este nuevo dolor llegó la claridad: “Dios me estaba llamando a ser sacerdote”.

Fue ordenado sacerdote en 1946. En 1958, Wojtyla recibió la noticia de que sería obispo. Las autoridades comunistas aprobaron su nombramiento, creyendo que un “filósofo y poeta” no les causaría muchos problemas. ¿Se equivocaron alguna vez? Comenzó a celebrar anualmente la Misa de medianoche de Navidad en un campo para los habitantes de Nowa Huta, un barrio de trabajadores que las autoridades habían construido deliberadamente sin iglesia.

En 1978, después de Juan Pablo I, fui elegido Papa, pero murió un mes después. Los cardenales eligieron Papa a Karol Wojtyla; Por primera vez en 455 años, eligieron a un no italiano. El 22 de octubre de 1978, el Papa Juan Pablo II gritó al mundo entero: “¡No temáis! ¡Abrid de par en par las puertas a Cristo! Pero los problemas del Papa estaban lejos de terminar.

El 13 de mayo de 1981, un asesino disparó un tiro que hirió al Papa. Estuvo a punto de morir pero de alguna manera sobrevivió. Hizo un viaje a la prisión para perdonar cara a cara al “hermano que me disparó”.

Le diagnosticaron la enfermedad de Parkinson que finalmente lo mató en 2005. Sus últimas palabras fueron susurradas: “Déjame ir a la casa de mi padre”.

legislation to abolish the death penalty. Yet many are unsure of where to begin their advocacy journey.

CMN addresses this gap by strategically engaging Catholics in regions where the death penalty persists, advancing repeal legislation through a three-tiered strategy of education, advocacy, and prayer. CMN plays a central role in state and federal repeal campaigns, collaborating closely with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, state Catholic conferences, local dioceses, religious communities, and secular abolition groups. Together, we form a strong, unified Catholic voice calling for abolition.

At both the state and federal level, you'll find us:

- Organizing prayer vigils, press events, webinars, and speaking tours
- Developing resources for parishes, dioceses, and other faith communities
- Connecting key players, like Church leaders and abolition movement organizers

- Amplifying Catholic abolition work in the media

Moving forward together

Catholics are uniquely positioned in the United States to lead the abolition of capital punishment, once and for all. Our Catholic faith is grounded in building up a culture of life. Capital punishment is not only immoral; it's a crime against humanity. As the Holy Father has said, the death penalty is contrary to the Gospel.

Our experience over the past 15 years has taught us that there will be highs and lows and we will not get there overnight. As with the September state spree of executions, regrettably, there will be periods of regression.

When a governor signs a warrant that sends a man with a strong case of innocence to the death chamber, we will not give up. We will keep moving forward.

When a victim's family cries out to stop the state-sanctioned murder of the person convicted of taking the life of their loved one, we will pray. And we will keep moving forward.

We will keep praying and working and advocating and equipping, as we walk in the light of the Gospel. We will keep moving forward.

Perhaps what the death dealing does not yet realize is that Catholics have a steadfast perseverance to end capital punishment, nourished by a wellspring of hope and a fountain of faith that does not run dry.

* Headquartered in Washington, D.C., Catholic Mobilizing Network is a national organization that mobilizes Catholics and people of goodwill to end the death penalty, advance justice solutions in alignment with Catholic values, and promote healing through restorative justice approaches and practices. For more information and to join the movement, visit catholicmobilizing.org.

Cardinal Zuppi visits Moscow as papal envoy to seek peace in Ukraine

Italian Cardinal Matteo Zuppi begins a visit to Moscow as part of the mission entrusted to him by Pope Francis to seek a path to peace in Ukraine and to facilitate the reunification of Ukrainian children with their families and the exchange of prisoners-of-war.



By Devin Watkins

Pope Francis' special envoy to pursue peace in Ukraine began his second visit to Moscow, Russia's capital, on Monday.

The Pope named Cardinal Matteo Maria Zuppi, Archbishop of Bologna and President of the Italian Bishops' Conference, as his special envoy in June 2023.

According to Matteo Bruni, Director of the Holy See Press Office, Cardinal Zuppi's visit falls within his mission as the Pope's envoy.

The Italian-born Cardinal will meet with Russian authorities and "assess further efforts to facilitate the reunification of Ukrainian children with their families and the exchange of prisoners, with a view to achieving the much-hoped-for peace," said Mr. Bruni.

Previous visits as part of peace mission

Cardinal Zuppi began his peace mission with a visit to Ukraine on June 5-6, 2023, where he met with President Volodymyr Zelensky and several other high-level officials

The Cardinal then visited Russia on June 28-30, 2023, meeting with Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill, as well as government officials, including Yuri Ushakov, Assistant to the President of the Russian Federation for Foreign Policy Affairs, and Maria Lvova-Belova, Commissioner to the President of the Russian Federation for Children's Rights.

On July 17-19, 2023, he traveled to Washington, D.C., and met with US President Joe Biden, delivering him a letter from Pope Francis.

Cardinal Zuppi also visited Beijing on September 13-15, 2023, meeting with Li Hui, China's Special Representative for Eurasian Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Angelini: La Iglesia redescubre los lugares del "hambre" del alma

Buscando en el "tejido humano" los espacios para el anuncio del Evangelio, dijo la religiosa, es necesario desvincularse de los "conformismos mediáticos" y de las "observancias vacías", culturas "de apariencia, que no sacian" y "agotan a las jóvenes generaciones".

Lorena Leonardi - Ciudad del Vaticano

Para Jesús, el "lugar" está allí donde los seres humanos sufren, manifiestan o comparten el "hambre". La necesidad excava en los seres humanos un espacio de relación donde el Evangelio puede ser proclamado en verdad: estos son los lugares que la Iglesia sinodal tiene el reto de redescubrir. Lo dijo la religiosa benedictina Maria Ignazia Angelini esta semana, 15 de octubre, en el Aula Pablo VI, al pronunciar una meditación sobre "El lugar de la Iglesia sinodal en la misión", para preparar a los participantes a la reflexión sobre la tercera parte del Instrumentum laboris, sobre el tema de los Lugares.

El Evangelio camina de umbral en umbral

El arraigo eclesial en un lugar concreto, en un contexto, en una cultura es "un nudo que ha preocupado a las primeras comunidades cristianas desde el principio". De hecho "con respecto a los lugares de vida, los cristianos", explicó la Madre Angelini, "se identificaban, paradójicamente, como 'extranjeros residentes'". Pensando en los «lugares/símbolos» de los orígenes (Jerusalén, Samaria, Antioquía, Jaffa, Cesarea, Filipos, Éfeso) "aparece inmediatamente la dialéctica que está en la raíz: si el lugar de la Iglesia es siempre un espacio-tiempo concreto de encuentro, el camino del Evangelio en el mundo va de umbral en umbral, rehúye cualquier estaticidad, pero también cualquier 'santa alianza' con los contextos culturales de la época".

La dimensión reticular de la relación

Ese "no está aquí" pronunciado al alba de la resurrección, "el anuncio del Evangelio siempre en salida", ha "sorprendido y guiado desde el principio a la Iglesia apostólica en sus opciones 'exólicas', dentro y después fuera del cenáculo, del templo, de la casa de Cornelio.

Arraigada "en todos los lugares de lo humano", pero con el elemento dinámico de la Pascua - "No está aquí" -, la Iglesia supera así una "visión estática de los lugares, incluso de los más sagrados, incluso de los más populares", para "abrirse a la dimensión 'reticular' de los lugares de relación", a través de los cuales se articula su vitalidad.

Jesús ama los banquetes

Pero, se preguntaba la religiosa, «¿cuál es el hilo conductor, cuáles son los nudos de conexión de esta red?». Para responder, la Madre Angelini recordó dos "banquetes", el universal de la profecía de Isaías en la apertura del Instrumentum Laboris, y la invitación a la mesa del fariseo en el Evangelio del día.

De la conjunción de las dos convivencias surge el "contraste dramático" entre las situaciones: "Dios que prepara un banquete, y desde un 'no-lugar' abre un futuro; Dios que en Jesús acepta la invitación hipócrita y rediseña, por su cuenta y riesgo, el banquete como lugar de relaciones". Jesús «ama los banquetes», desde la vocación de Leví hasta la Última Cena: la mesa humana es para Él "un lugar de reunión, y un lugar arriesgado de verdad", hasta el punto de "constituir -por el estilo de reunión y por los comensales- una cabeza de acusación".

La necesidad cava un espacio para las relaciones

En la mesa, "lugar fuertemente simbólico", prosigue la benedictina, la "itinerancia constitutiva del anuncio encuentra el reposo necesario", las relaciones "echan raíces" y el hambre se desnuda. Allí donde la necesidad excava un espacio de relación "no en vano" con el otro -amigo o enemigo, santo o pecador- reside precisamente el desafío de estar allí. Volviendo a la comparación entre banquetes, mientras que en el "último" Jesús busca el lugar para decir "he deseado comer contigo", en el encuentro con el fariseo, Lucas, "el evangelista 'mansuetudinis Christi', describe a un Jesús mordaz, áspero, inhóspito" que "manifiesta la intención de romper, de sacudir las conciencias para una nueva y radical contestación de una cultura, de un sistema religioso".

La convivialidad del don

Invirtiendo la insidia de su anfitrión, para "llegar a una ética de la interioridad y de la autenticidad", Jesús "induce a una nueva convivialidad, basada en el don": "Dad más bien en limosna lo que tenéis dentro, y he aquí que todo será puro para vosotros". El episodio evangélico convoca así "a los lugares de la conversión sinodal de la Iglesia", que son los espacios "de lo humano, de las culturas, de la fragilidad, de la esperanza tenaz".

Si la "duplicidad de corazón" denunciada por Jesús "contradice radicalmente la convivialidad de las diferencias", la "escotomización entre apariencia e interioridad, público y privado, individuo y comunidad" está para la monja en el origen de la "necedad generalizada que sofoca hoy en el mundo la búsqueda de arraigar el anuncio del Evangelio en los lugares de la vida".

Prioridad a la interioridad regenerada

Buscando en el "tejido humano" los lugares para el anuncio del Evangelio, es necesario -subrayó Angelini- desvincularse del "conformismo mediático" y de las "observancias vacías", culturas "de apariencia, que no sacian" y "agotan a las jóvenes generaciones".

El estilo de Dios, simbolizado tanto en el texto de Isaías como en el Evangelio de hoy, "impulsa con fuerza el camino sinodal", ofreciendo "criterios de reunión 'distintos' del mundo del derecho". El "lugar original de convocatoria" para Jesús

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es la "interioridad regenerada", un espacio "en gran parte despreciado por las culturas dominantes" pero "prioritario para la convivencia sinodal, para encontrar en la verdad los lugares de lo humano". Tal vez hoy, concluyó la Madre Angelini, se trate de "redescubrir la fecundidad de los lugares en los que compartir el hambre y la esperanza humilde y tenaz, los lazos del compartir confiado, la armonía entre buscadores de fraternidad".



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