Declaration of Utter Dependence on God

And For Love of Our Fellow Man

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for a Godly people to declare the bands which have connected them one with another, and to assert among the dissolute powers of the earth, the superiority and irrevocability of the Revealed and Natural Law, which truly liberate a virtuous people, a decent respect to the existing structures of authority requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to reject, refuse and resist their unlawful edicts.

We hold this truth to be self-evident: that all men are created. And, the creature presupposes a Creator, whose dominion extends to all that which is made. As creatures, we are obliged by our Creator with one fundamental duty: Religion, upon which rests all other rights and duties that flow to Him and our fellow men. That to secure this duty, the Church and governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just authority from the Authority on high. That whenever any human power becomes destructive of this end, it is the Right of the Virtuous to oppose or, if necessary, to withdraw, and to reestablish that new governance, laying its foundation on the eternal principles, which effect their Salvation, temporal happiness and safety.

Prudence, indeed, will dictate that civil governments, long established, should not be opposed for light and transient causes; and that mankind should be more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, the rule of God's ministers, following our Lord's model of prayerfully suffering unto death, rather than espousing "non serviam".

But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object evinces a design to reduce them under a demonic despotism, giving sons "stones" when requesting "bread", it is the right, nay, the duty of the Church militant, of every virtuous person guided by Prudence, to oppose with morality and honorable resistance such depraved rulers and the governments they occupy, seeking new and holy guardians for the flock.

Such has been the patient sufferance of God's people; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to declare, once again, the right relations of

Divine and human law. The history of the present Age [the past 500 years] is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute tyranny of evil over Goodness. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

The King and Creator of the Universe, the Prince of Peace and the Soul of the Church have been rejected.

Rulers refuse to recognize Revealed and Natural law as superior to human law.

Our rulers have refused to acknowledge this hierarchy of Laws or to assent to the expositor of such laws on earth, the vicar of Christ.

Sadly, the Vicar of Christ minimizes the Divine Authority, nearly abdicating his role entirely.

Things Eternal have been equated with, even reduced below, things temporal, while Salvation has become a matter of personal opinion.

Finite "reason" is exalted; Infinite Wisdom despised.

Universality is destroyed. Pretenders to omniscience (human reason, scientism), omnipotence (politics, government, law) and omnipresence (surveillance) arise.

Heretics and heresies go unpunished, at times even lauded, to the eternal damnation of swaths of men.

Schism is a way of life and community is shattered.

True freedom is constrained while a vicious licentiousness let loose.

Fathers of nations are executed, true patriotism destroyed.

Estates, guilds, villages, and all subsidiary corporate bodies are annihilated. Individuals are left atomized and defenseless.

The family is assailed. Parental authority invaded, usurped and denied.

Heaven, the very idea of futurity and the immortality of the soul, is obscured, while the shifting sands of "change" and the dominance of the "now" turn men into animals.

Nature, unaided by Grace and without the compass of the Supernatural, descends first to unnaturalness, then to bestiality.

Men turn to worshipping idols of power, money, pleasure and sloth, while the True God is ignored.

Men begin to call evil, good and good, evil; we have put darkness for light, and light for darkness.

NO MORE!

In every stage of these Oppressions, God's people have prayed and petitioned for redress in the most humble terms. We have bowed and bent, strove and struggled, complained and compromised. Malice has been the reward of our patience and good will. Our "princes", whose characters are thus marked by every act which may define a devil, are unfit to be the rulers of a moral and free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our apparent brethren, other professedly moral people, but many have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, and mark this line: Those who denounce the Faith and refuse to submit to the demands of moral responsibility will be held Enemies to the brotherhood unless restored to Grace.

We, therefore, simple Catholics with well-formed consciences and eyes to see, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in His Name, and by His authority, solemnly publish and declare:

That we are Utterly Dependent upon that Power, Who wills nothing but Goodness, Truth and Beauty; that we will align our Allegiance to Him and to those, His stewards, who rule by keeping Faith with Him.

Thus, all political connection between us and the current powers in opposition to the Lord is and ought to be totally dissolved;

And that as Free and Moral People, we have full power to align into organic, naturally occurring hierarchies and states, which, alongside the Church, will do all other Acts and Things which True Societies may of right do.

And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.

The signers of this Declaration represented these current kingdoms, stewards of His Creation, as follows:

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