

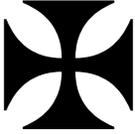


The Basilica of Saint Longinus the Centurion
Mother Church of the Holy Catholic Church of the Gospels
THE OFFICE OF THE LEGATUS EPISCOPUS MAXIMUS

Apostolic Bull

✠ *Quod Fecistis Uni ex His Minimis*
What You Have Done to One of the Least of These

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In nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, amen

Nos, Brandonus (We, Brandon),

Legatus Episcopus Maximus (Chief Legate-Bishop), Legatus Evangelii per Christum (Legate of the Gospel through Christ), Praesul Communionis Sanctae Catholicae Ecclesiae Evangelii (Presider of the Communion of the Holy Catholic Church of the Gospels), Episcopus Ecclesiae Longini (Bishop Ecclesiae of the Basilica of Saint Longinus), Apostolus per Vocationem Dei (Apostle by the Calling of God), Legatus pro Christo (Legate on behalf of Christ), Consul per Christum (Consul through Christ), Servus Altissimi et Corporis (Servant of the Most High and of the Body), Operarius in Vineam Christi (Laborer in the Vineyard of Christ), Servus Christi (Servant of Christ), Defensor Arundinum Confractorum (Defender of the Bruised Reeds), Credens (Believer),

universo clero et fidelibus, necnon omnibus haec lecturis, salutem in Domino (to all clergy and faithful, and to all who may read these words, greeting in the Lord),

Cum in his diebus cleri et fidelium animi sint turbati, et multi cives, observantes operationes Immigration et Custodiae Civitatis quae in civitatem Minnesotensem et alias regiones prolatae sunt, pacifice discessionem civilis conscientiae exercuerint, non ad vim neque ad tumultum sed ad testimonium veritatis et misericordiae Christi, et in nonnihilibus his resistentibus persecutiones, incarcerationes, et impetus a potestatibus et earum ministris perpassi sint;

(Whereas in these days the hearts of clergy and faithful have been troubled, and many citizens, observing operations of Immigration and Civil Enforcement extended into the city of Minneapolis and other regions, have exercised nonviolent civil disobedience, not unto violence nor disorder but as a witness to the truth and mercy of Christ, and whereas some of these resisting have endured persecution, arrest, and assault by authorities and their agents;)

Et cum in paucis ante mensibus Renée Good et alius civis per actus coercionis a ministris potestatis federalis mortui sint, et multorum animus et conscientia eum sanguinem clamantem audierit et aerumnam proximi videt;

(And whereas in recent months Renée Good and another citizen have died as a result of acts of coercion by federal agents, and the consciences of many have heard that blood crying from the ground and have witnessed the suffering of neighbor;)

Admoniti verbis Salvatoris: “Beati estis cum maledixerint vobis et persecuti vos fuerint et dixerint omne malum adversum vos mentientes propter meam causam; gaudete et exsultate, quoniam merces vestra copiosa est in caelis” (Matthaeus XVIII et V), et funus ministrorum eversionis potestatis non potest esse benedictio aut approbatio,

(Being admonished by the words of the Savior: “Blessed are you when men shall revile you and persecute you and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for My sake; rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven” (Matthew 5 and 18), and no funeral of agents of overturning power can be a blessing or an approval,)

Itaque ex debita conscientiae contritione et sacramenti Baptismi religione, firmiter statuimus:

(Therefore, out of due contrition of conscience and the religion of the sacrament of Baptism, we firmly declare:)

1. Quod omnis qui ob conscientiam Christi atque testimonium veritatis et misericordiae eius, et qui ad caritatis usum invocans Christi doctrinam pacifice civiliter disobedientes sunt adversus operationes Immigrationis et associatos, actum iustitiae et rectitudinis exercuisse; et nulla actio persecutiva adversus eos, sive arrestatio, aut injuria civilis, potest haberi praecepto Dei conformis.

(That all who, out of conscience of Christ and as a witness to His truth and mercy, and invoking His teaching in the exercise of charity, practice nonviolent civil disobedience against Immigration operations and their associates, do exercise an act of justice and righteousness; and no act of persecution against them, whether arrest or civil injury, can be counted conformable to the precepts of God.)

2. Quod si quis in tali testimonium mortem traxerint, mors illa in dominio Christi reputabitur, et tales considerandi sunt quasi martyrs fidelitatis, digni memoria et honore Ecclesiae.

(That if any suffer death in such witness, that death in the Lord Christ shall be reckoned, and such shall be considered as martyrs of fidelity, worthy of memorial and honor by the Church.)

3. Quod hoc instrumentum omnibus fidelibus, clericis et laicis, declaratio firmissima sit, ut conscius nemo credat se ob pacificam conscientiae oboedientiam Dei iustos preceptos violare, sed potius se sequendum esse vocari.

(That this instrument be to all the faithful, clergy and laity, a most firm declaration, so that no one may think he violates righteous precepts in peaceful obedience of conscience to God, but rather that he is called to follow.)

4. Quod omnes ministros, presbyteros, diaconos et fideles hortamur ad orationem, intercessionem, et ministerium misericordiae erga eos qui persecutionem patiuntur, et ut nulla praesentia violentiae a potentatibus ecclesiae nomen detur benedictio.

(That all ministers, priests, deacons, and the faithful are urged to prayer, intercession, and ministries of mercy toward those who suffer persecution, and that no presence of violence by authorities be granted the blessing of the Church's name.)

Decretum de Testimonio Conscientiae et Martyrio Iustitiae

(Decree on the Witness of Conscience and the Martyrdom of Justice)

1. Sanctionamus et statuimus pacificam conscientiae oboedientiam, in Christo radicatum, quamvis in oppositione ad actiones Immigrationis et Custodiae Civitatis, pacificam, non violentam et non hostiliter intentam, esse moraliter legitimum testimonium veritatis et misericordiae, atque tali testimonium a Deo benedictum.

(We decree and establish that peaceful civil disobedience, rooted in Christ and undertaken in opposition to Immigration and Civil Enforcement actions, when peaceful and nonviolent and not directed toward hostility, is morally legitimate testimony to truth and mercy, and such testimony is blessed by God.)

2. Declaramus omnes actiones persecutorias adversus eos qui talia testimonia pacifica rendunt, sive per incarcerationem, vexationem legalem, aut persecutionem civilem ullo modo tendant, esse contrarias praeceptis Christi et Evangelii, ac nullam auctoritatem habere coram Deo et Ecclesia.

(We declare that all persecutory actions against those who render such peaceful testimony,

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whether by incarceration, legal harassment, or any form of civil persecution, are contrary to the precepts of Christ and the Gospel and have no authority before God or the Church.)

3. Si quis, testimonium talis pacis et veritatis rendens, etiam ad mortem in Domino perveniat, talem mortem iudicamus esse quasi martyrum fidei et iustitiae, dignam memoria et honore a sancta Ecclesia, ut in suis diebus in Calendario Martyrum recipi possit.

(If anyone rendering such testimony of peace and truth even attains death in the Lord, we judge such a death to be as of martyrs of faith and justice, worthy of memorial and honor by the holy Church, so that it may in due time be received in the Calendar of Martyrs.)

4. Interdicimus, in perpetuum, ut nulla imago, verba, praesentia, benedictio, sacramentalis actio, vel ministerium huius Ecclesiae ab his quae violenter et injuste fiunt sub nomine immigrationis, detur aut offeratur.

(We forbid, in perpetuity, that any image, words, presence, blessing, sacramental action, or ministry of this Church be given or offered in association with those things done violently and unjustly under the name of immigration enforcement.)

5. Praecipimus omnibus sacerdotibus, diaconis, et fidelibus ut pro his qui persecutionem patiuntur orent, pietatem exhibeant, audientiam praebeant, et auxiliis spiritualibus et corporalibus illos sustentent secundum praecepta Evangelii.

(We command all priests, deacons, and the faithful to pray for those who suffer persecution, to show compassion, to give them hearing, and to sustain them with spiritual and corporal help according to the precepts of the Gospel.)

Admonitio Moralis

(Moral Admonition)

Ad omnes ministros Immigrationis et Custodiae Civitatis, ad omnes ministros foederales consociatos, ad advocatos qui eos consilio vel defensione instruunt, ad iudices et magistratus qui eorum actiones sustinent vel auctoritate confirmant, et ad omnes magistratus publicos qui per legem vel consilium coercitivam enforcementiam promovent vel permittunt:

(To all agents of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, to all agents of related federal enforcement entities, to attorneys who counsel or defend them, to judges and magistrates who uphold or authorize their actions, and to all public officials who legislate or enable coercive enforcement in the name of law:)

Hoc clare scitote: actiones quae ad nocumentum, iniuriam, detentionem sine iusta causa, vel ad mortem perducunt eorum qui legitime et pacifice civiliter disobedientes sunt in defensione proximi, familiae, et conscientiae, non sunt actus Christi neque Evangelii.

(Know this clearly: actions that result in the harm, injury, detention without due cause, or death of persons who lawfully and peacefully practice civil disobedience in defense of neighbor, family, and conscience are not acts of Christ or of the Gospel.)

Actiones quae vulnerabiles tamquam impedimenta potius quam proximos tractant, nullam legitimam spiritualem auctoritatem habent. Actiones quae potestatem et metum mensuram misericordiae faciunt, faciem Iesu Christi in Evangelio revelatam manifeste contradicunt.

(Actions that treat the vulnerable as obstacles rather than as neighbors bear no spiritual legitimacy. Actions that make power and fear the measure of mercy contradict the face of Jesus Christ revealed in the Gospels.)

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“Beati pacifici, quoniam filii Dei vocabuntur.”

(“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.”)

“Beati qui persecutionem patiuntur propter iustitiam, quoniam ipsorum est regnum caelorum.”

(“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”)

Haec non sunt vana metaphora. Haec est lex moralis in caritate et veritate fundata.

(This is not idle metaphor. This is moral law framed by love and truth.)

Qui violentiam adversus pacificam conscientiae oboedientiam persequuntur, accusant, defendunt, aut iustificant, sive per consilium, sive per iudicium, sive per executionem, mandatis Christi manifeste adversantur.

(Those who pursue, prosecute, defend, or justify violence against nonviolent conscience-right action, whether by counsel, judgment, or execution, stand in contradiction to the commands of Christ.)

Tales se ipsos alligant consequentiis non Spiritus, sed litterae quae occidit, non autem Spiritus qui vivificat.

(They bind themselves to consequences not of the Spirit but of the letter that kills rather than the Spirit that gives life.)

De Ligando et Solvendo

(On Binding and Loosing)

Hic auctoritate Ecclesiae, a Domino Iesu Christo tradita, potestatem ligandi et solvendi exercemus:

(Here, by the authority of the Church entrusted by the Lord Jesus Christ, we exercise the power to bind and loose:)

Solvimus pacificam conscientiae resistentiam coram Deo, eam iustam et Evangelio conformem esse affirmantes.

(We loose the peaceful resistance of conscience before God, affirming it to be righteous and consonant with the Gospel.)

Ligamus omnem assertionem qua violentia, intimidatio, aut vis lethalis divinam sanctionem aut Evangelii approbationem sibi vindicet.

(We bind any claim that violence, intimidation, or lethal force bears divine sanction or Gospel approval.)

Legitima auctoritas ex metu oriri non potest. Auctoritas Evangelii semper est sacrificialis, semper infirmos tuetur, et semper cum amore Christi se donantis congruit.

(Legitimate authority cannot arise from fear. Gospel authority is always sacrificial, always protective of the weak, and always aligned with Christ’s self-giving love.)

Nulla igitur potestas mortalis benedictionem Christi sibi vindicet dum misericordiam et iustitiam deserit.

(Therefore, let no mortal power claim the blessing of Christ while it abandons mercy and justice.)

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Promulgatio

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Praesens Constitutio, Decretum et Admonitio Moralis rite promulgantur, vim obtinent, et obligant conscientias fidelium ab ipso momento promulgationis, ac perpetuo valent donec auctoritate Ecclesiae legitime mutantur aut revocentur.

(This present Constitution, Decree, and Moral Admonition are duly promulgated, take force, and bind the consciences of the faithful from the very moment of promulgation, and shall remain in force perpetually unless lawfully amended or revoked by the authority of the Church.)

Mandamus ut haec scripta publice legantur, serventur, et transmittantur, et ut nullus fidelium ignorantiam huius declarationis excusationem sibi vindicet.

(We command that these writings be publicly read, preserved, and transmitted, and that no member of the faithful may claim ignorance of this declaration as an excuse.)

Omnia huic instrumento contraria, quatenus contraria sunt, irrita et vacua declaramus.

(All things contrary to this instrument, insofar as they are contrary, we declare null and void.)

Datum ex Sede Basilicae Sancti Longini Centurionis, Ecclesiae Matris Communionis Sanctae Catholicae Ecclesiae Evangelii, hoc die XXIV mensis Ianuarii, Anno Domini MMXXVI.

(Given from the See of the Basilica of Saint Longinus the Centurion, Mother Church of the Communion of the Holy Catholic Church of the Gospels, on this 24 day of January, in the Year of Our Lord 2026.)

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His Holiness, the Legate

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Bishop Ecclesiae of the Basilica of Saint Longinus the Centurion

Apostolus per Vocationem Dei

