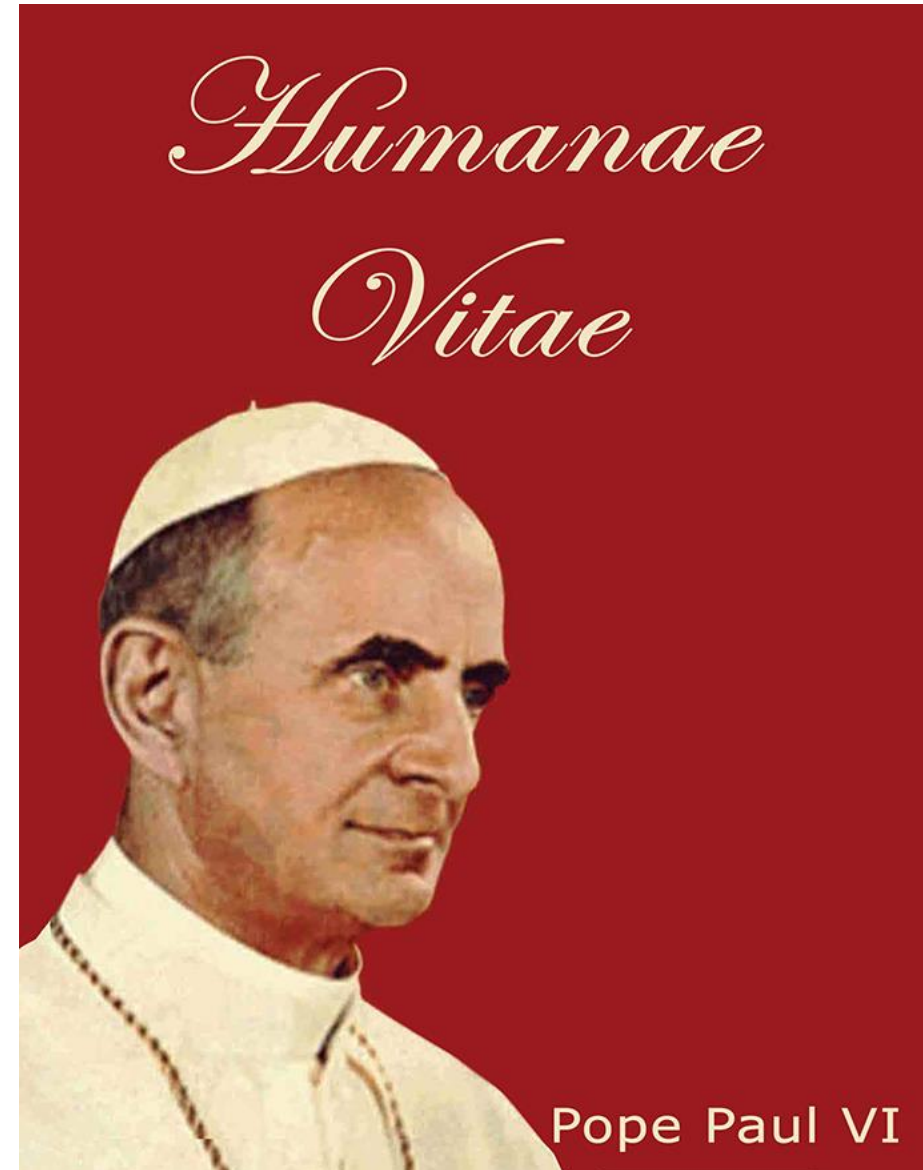


Humanae Vitae: On Human Life

Getting back to Life-giving foundations
after 50 years of Fulfilled Prophecies:
1968-present

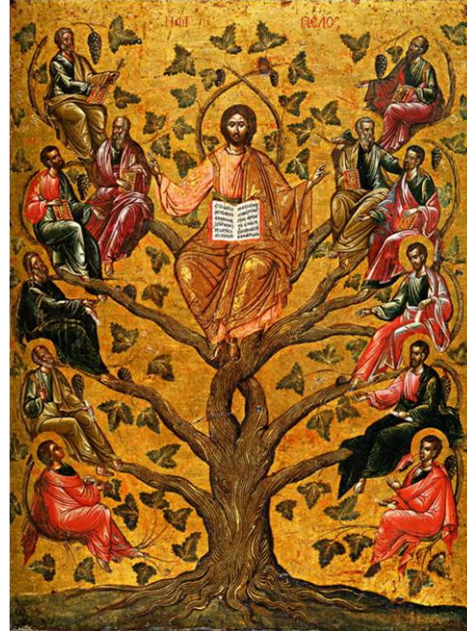
By
Deacon Gerard-Marie Anthony



Humanae Vitae: Roots in Culture of Life vs Culture of Death

We have to decide whether we
will be rooted in the “Culture of
life” or a “Culture of Death”?

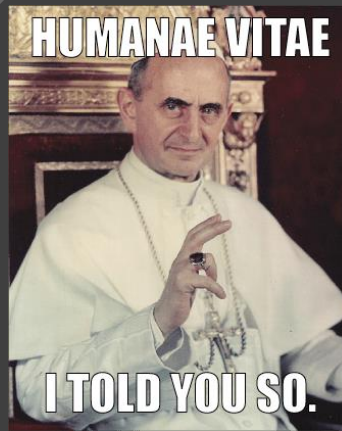
Jesus tells us, “God said to him, ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’? He is God not of the dead, but of the living; you are quite wrong.” (Mk. 12:26-27)



Introduction to the 1968 Prophecy

There were 4 Major Prophecies found in **Humanae Vitae#17**

1. **A General Lowering of Morality in society**
2. **Increase in marriage infidelity**
3. **A Lessening of Respect for women by men**
4. **Coercive use of reproduction technology by governments**

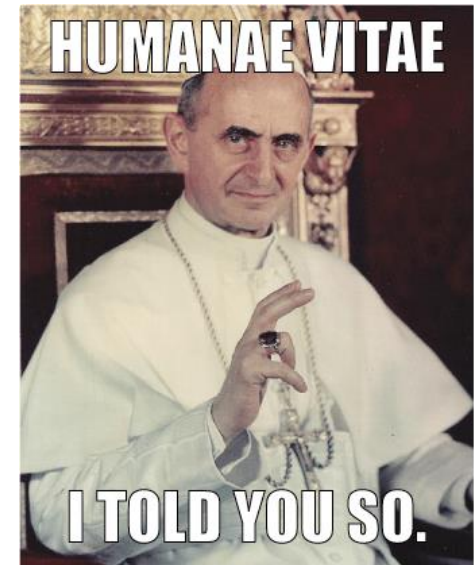


Examples of Prophecy#1: General Lowering of Morality

1. According to Gallup polls-20% of Americans are Nones (No religious affiliation) as [compared to 1968 in which it was 3%](#).
2. In a 2016 Survey by LifeWay Research-43% never even [wonder if they are going to heaven](#)
3. Pornography is a \$13 billion [industry here in the US](#)
4. TV Programming
 - Top ten performing non-animated movies at the box office in 2013, all but one used the Lord's name in vain more than once, as with Shows like the Andy Griffith Show in 1968 [would "push the envelope" with phrases like "Gosh darn it."](#)
 - Children's/Teen Fantasy- Wizard of Oz (1950 and 1960s) to present day Game of Thrones...as the Parents Television Council Study said, "[We're not in Kansas anymore" and so called their study the Oz Study](#)
5. Annual Gay Pride Parades all over America: [What used to be a psychological disorder](#) in the Diagnostic and Statistic Manual II in 1968...the year of *Humanae Vitae*... is now celebrated annually as not only normal, but something to be promoted for the good of society.

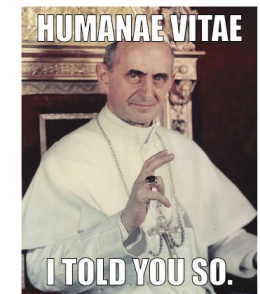
Prophecy 2 of *Humanae Vitae*#17: Lessening of Respect for Women by Men

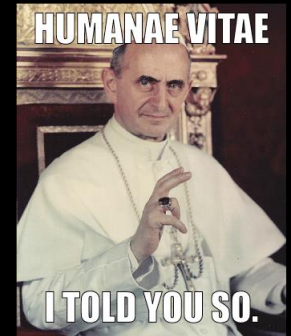
- Other unforeseen Side Effects:
 - Pornography
 - [Upskirting](#)
 - Women losing respect for other women
 - Women denying their femininity
 - Women losing respect for men
 - The Emasculation of men



Prophecy 3 of *Humanae Vitae* #17: Increase in Marriage Infidelity

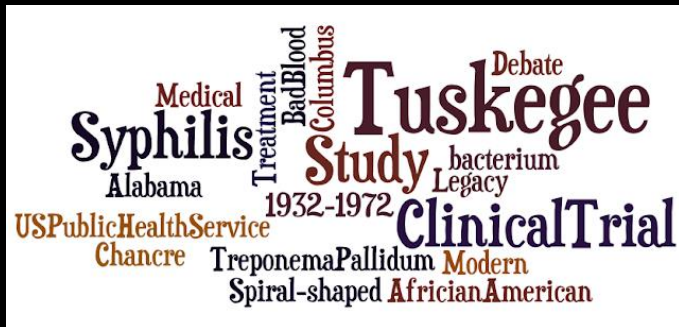
- 53% of American would cheat on their spouse [if given the chance](#)
- They have actual websites to have marital (which is on the Googleplay and apple store apps!)
- According to [Divorce Statistics](#)
 - In the United States, 17% of all the divorces that occur are due to adultery on the part of either or both the parties
 - 22% of married men have committed an adulterous act at least once in their life
 - 14 percent of married women have had affairs
 - The percentage of men and women who admit to infidelity (emotional or physical) with a brother-in-law or sister-in-law is 17%
 - 36% of the people admit to having an affair with a co-worker, with whom the usually spend more time than their spouses





Prophecy 4 of *Humanae Vitae* #17: Coercive Use of Reproduction Technology by Governments

- 2011 Indian Sterilization [Campaign](#)
- China's rescinded and infamous 1 Child policy (1979-2015)
- The Mexico City Policy [was rescinded](#) twice in 1993 and 2009 by Presidents Clinton and Obama
 - Foreign aid to Africa was dependent on acceptance of contraception under the guise of "Family planning"/AIDS and poverty prevention
- Planned Parenthood gets at least \$500 million/year from Title X funding and Medicaid
- Gates Foundation-contraception acceptance [term for accepting aid](#) (See Tough Questions #4 off of link)
- HHS Mandate (Little Sisters of the Poor)
- Tuskegee Experiment ([1932-1972](#))
- "Anti-Fertility Vaccination" funded by UNICEF and WHO ([World Health Organization](#))



BILL & MELINDA
GATES foundation



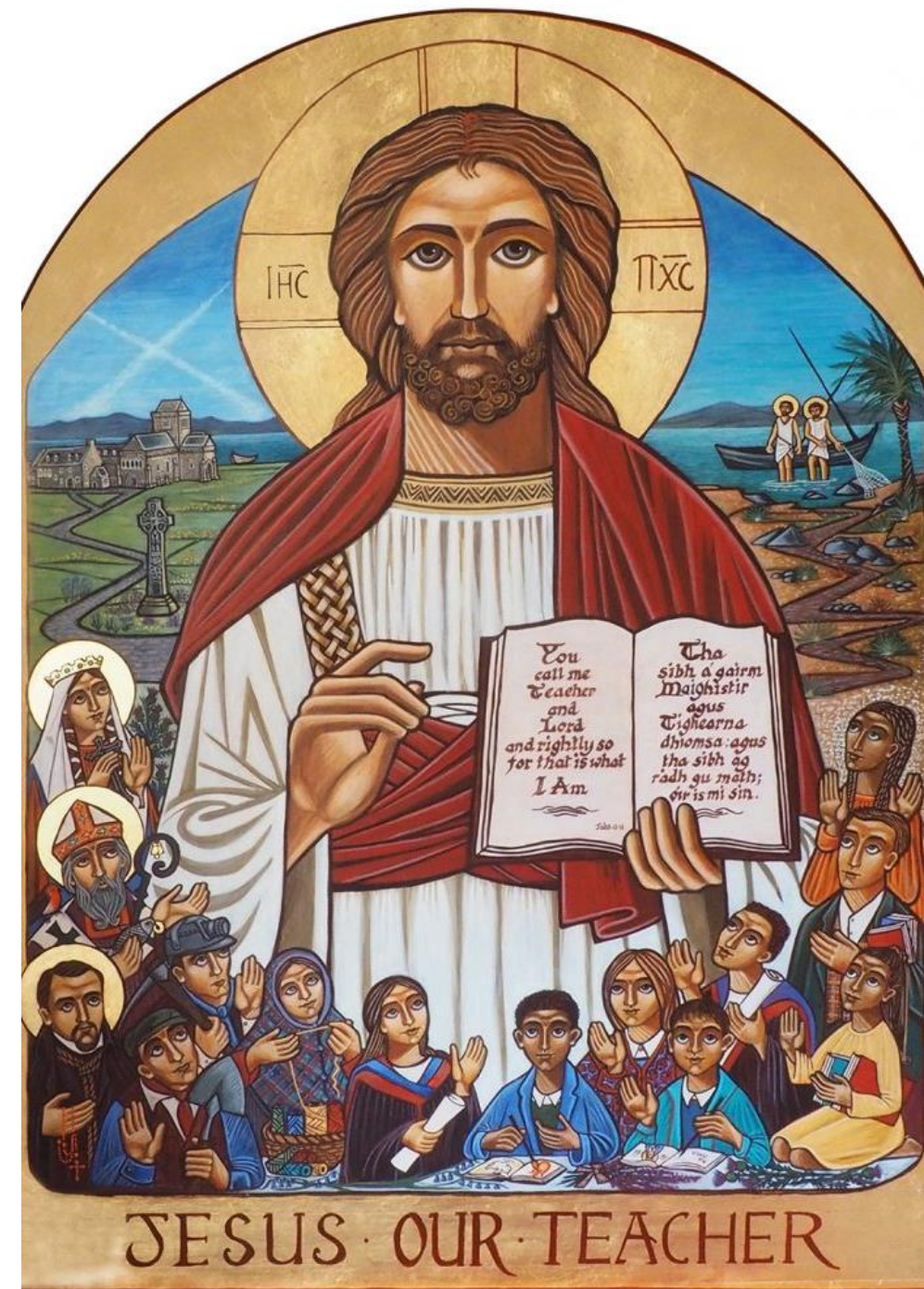
Overview

1. History (feet)
2. Document itself (inner heart)
3. Fruit of *Humanae Vitae* (outer heart or dark cloak)
4. Conclusions



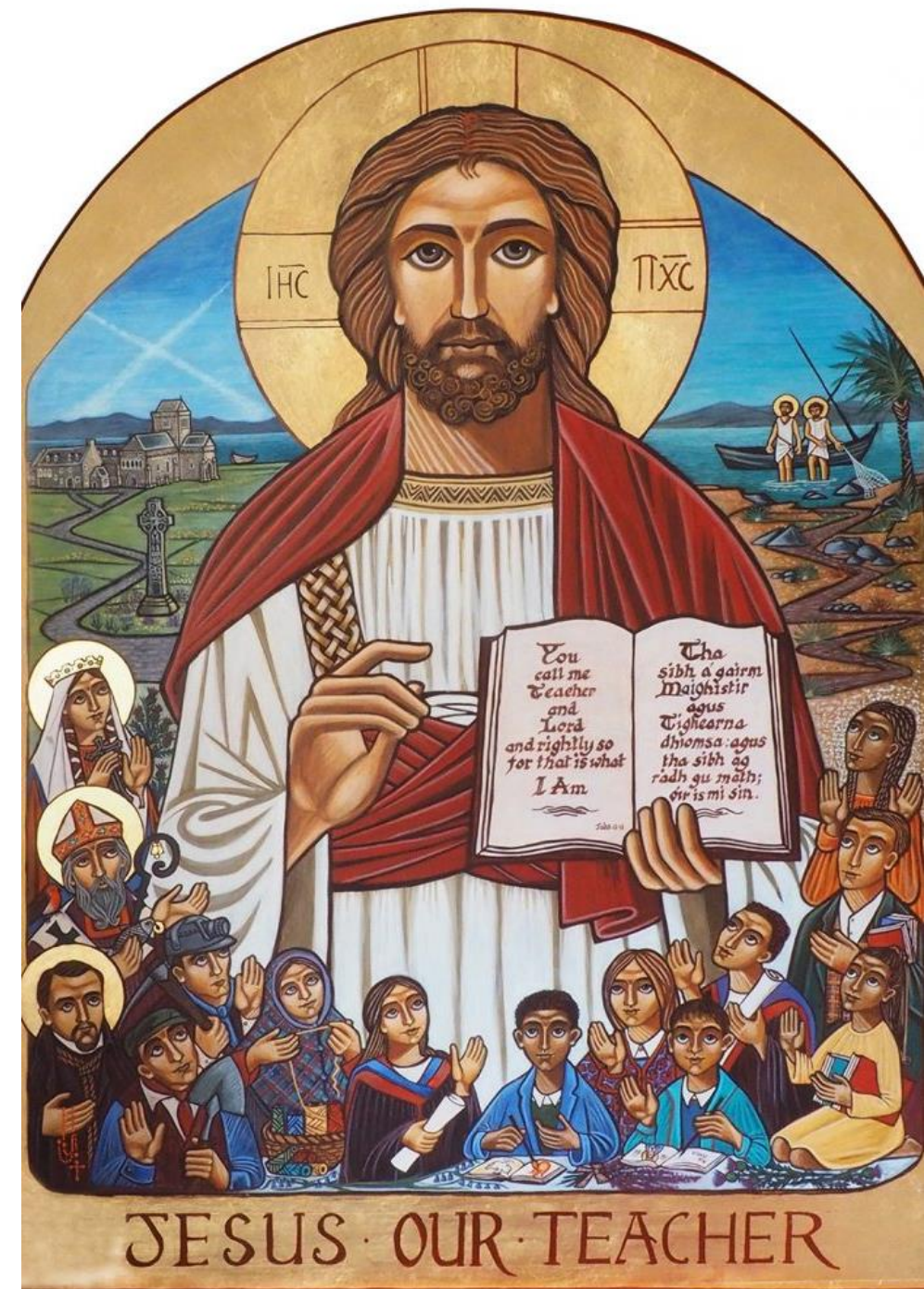
Part I-History: Church Teaching (feet)

- There was an unwavering Christian prohibition on contraception and abortion until the Lambeth Conference of 1930 at which the Anglican Church allowed for contraception in limited circumstances. This gradually opened the floodgates to widespread use of contraception.
- This was based on Scripture and Tradition of the Church
 - **Onan** (Gen. 38:3-10)
 - **(1st Cent.)Didache:** “You shall not practice birth control, you shall not murder a child by abortion, nor kill what is begotten” (Chapter 2)
 - **(80-120 AD)Epistle of Barnabas:** “You shall not slay the child by procuring abortion, nor shall you destroy it after it is born” (Chapter 19)
 - **(160-180AD)Clement of Alexandria-Paedagogus/The Instructor:** “Women who resort to some sort of deadly abortion drug kill not only the embryo, but along with it, all human kindness.” (Book II. Chapter 10, v.96)
 - **(197 AD)Tertullian-Apologia:** “In our case, murder being once for all forbidden, we may not destroy even the fetus in the womb, while as yet the human being derives blood from other parts of the body for its sustenance. To hinder a birth is merely a speedier man-killing; nor does it matter whether you take away a life that is born, or destroy one that is coming to the birth.” (Chapter 9)



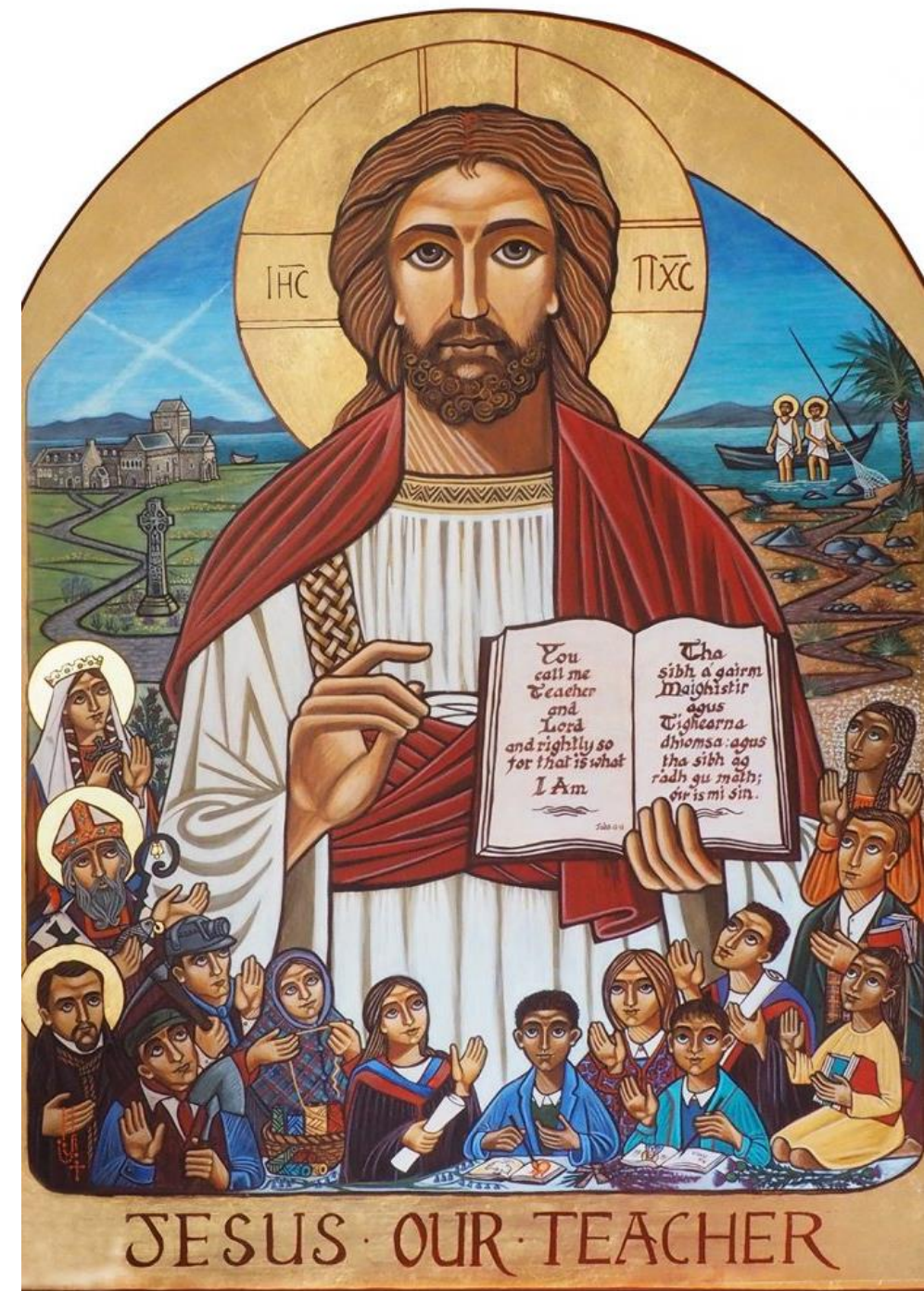
History (cont.)

- This was [based on Scripture and Tradition](#) of the Church (continued)
 - **(228 AD) St. Hippolytus-Refutation of All Heresies:** “Whence women, reputed believers, began to resort to drugs for producing sterility and to gird themselves round, so to expel what was being conceived on account of their not wishing to have a child either by a slave or by any paltry fellow, for the sake of their family and excessive wealth. Behold, into how great impiety that lawless one has proceeded by inculcating adultery and murder at the same time! And withal, after such audacious acts, they, lost to all shame, attempt to call themselves a Catholic Church” (Book 9, Ch. 7)
 - **(374 AD) St. Basil-1st Canonical Letter/Letter 188:** “Whence women, reputed believers, began to resort to drugs for producing sterility and to gird themselves round, so to expel what was being conceived on account of their not wishing to have a child either by a slave or by any paltry fellow, for the sake of their family and excessive wealth. Behold, into how great impiety that lawless one has proceeded by inculcating adultery and murder at the same time! And withal, after such audacious acts, they, lost to all shame, attempt to call themselves a Catholic Church” (Canon 2)
 - **(305 AD) Council of Elvira, Spain:** “If a woman becomes pregnant by committing adultery, while her husband is absent, and after the act she destroys (the child), it is proper to keep her from Communion until death, because she has doubled her crime” (Canon 63)
- Even Protestant Tradition was [against Contraception](#) and Abortion
 - **Martin Luther on Onan’s contraceptive act:** *This is a most disgraceful sin. It is far more atrocious than incest and adultery. We call it unchastity, yes, a Sodomitic sin. For Onan goes in to her; that is, he lies with her and copulates, and when it comes to the point of insemination, spills the semen, lest the woman conceive. Surely at such a time the order of nature established by God in procreation should be followed. Accordingly, it was a most disgraceful crime to produce semen and excite the woman, and to frustrate her at that very moment. (Commentary on Genesis/Luther’s Works 7.20-21).*
 - **John Calvin:** “The voluntary spilling of semen outside of intercourse between man and woman is a monstrous thing. Deliberately to withdraw from coitus in order that semen may fall on the ground is doubly monstrous. For this is to extinguish the hope of the race and to kill before he is born the hoped-for offspring” (*Commentary on Genesis*)

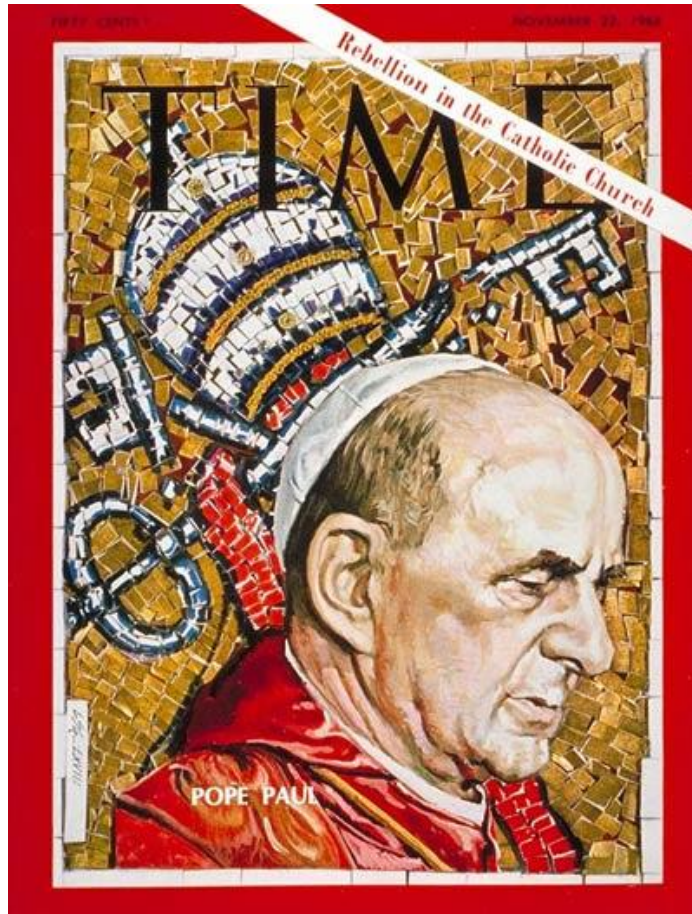


History (cont.)

- In response to the 1930 Lambeth Conference Pius XI wrote the encyclical *Casti Connubii*: [On Chaste marriage](#), reaffirming the Church's and Christian position on Contraception which was even found in the Catechism of the Council of Trent promulgated in 1566.
- **Catechism of the Council of Trent (1566):**
 - The direct interruption of the generative process already begun, and, above all, directly willed and procured abortion, even if for therapeutic reasons, are to be absolutely excluded as a lawful means of birth regulation (Part II, Ch. 8; HV #14)
- **Casti Connubii: On Chaste Marriage (Dec. 31, 1930) by Pope Pius XI**
 - As to the "medical and therapeutic indication" to which, using their own words, we have made reference, Venerable Brethren, however much we may pity the mother whose health and even life is gravely imperiled in the performance of the duty allotted to her by nature, nevertheless what could ever be a sufficient reason for excusing in any way the direct murder of the innocent? **This is precisely what we are dealing with here. Whether inflicted upon the mother or upon the child, it is against the precept of God and the law of nature: "Thou shalt not kill." The life of each is equally sacred, and no one has the power, not even the public authority, to destroy it.** It is of no use to appeal to the right of taking away life for here it is a question of the innocent, whereas that right has regard only to the guilty; nor is there here question of defense by bloodshed against an unjust aggressor (for who would call an innocent child an unjust aggressor?); again there is not question here of what is called the "law of extreme necessity" which could even extend to the direct killing of the innocent (**Sec. 64**) [emphasis mine].
 - And now, Venerable Brethren, we shall explain in detail the evils opposed to each of the benefits of matrimony. First consideration is due to the offspring, which many have the boldness to call the disagreeable burden of matrimony and which they say is to be carefully avoided by married people not through virtuous continence (which Christian law permits in matrimony when both parties consent) but by frustrating the marriage act. **Some justify this criminal abuse on the ground that they are weary of children and wish to gratify their desires without their consequent burden. Others say that they cannot on the one hand remain continent nor on the other can they have children because of the difficulties whether on the part of the mother or on the part of family circumstances.**
 - **54. But no reason, however grave, may be put forward by which anything intrinsically against nature may become conformable to nature and morally good. Since, therefore, the conjugal act is destined primarily by nature for the begetting of children, those who in exercising it deliberately frustrate its natural power and purpose sin against nature and commit a deed which is shameful and intrinsically vicious (Sec. 53-54)** [emphasis mine].

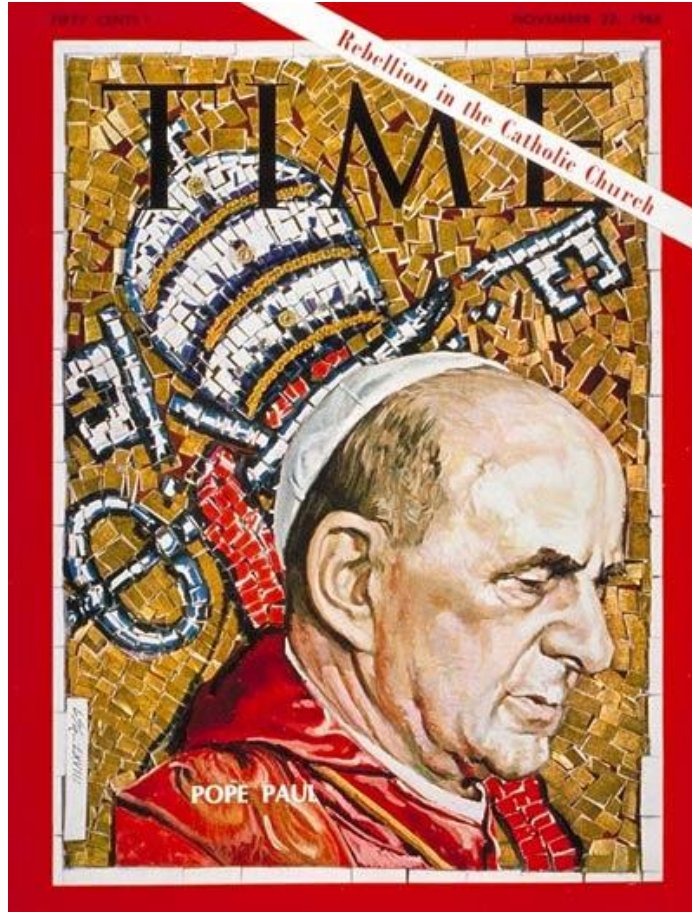


History-Right before the encyclical



- Pope Paul VI called an **ADVISORY** commission in 1963 on Oral Contraception continuing Pope John XXIII's commission from 1960
- Commission was expanded to 72 people made up of clergy, theologians, married couples and laywomen, and eventually 15 bishops and Cardinals who were the only voting members.
- There was a [minority report](#) and [majority report](#) commissioned to Pope Paul VI.
- One of the people in the minority was then Cardinal Karol Wojtyła, Archbishop of Krakow. He emphasized Scripture Rom. 3:7-9 to refute this majority report which was based on consequentialism and fundamental option.
- Leaked Reports cause pandemonium

History (cont.)



Pontifical Council of Pope Paul VI

President: **Cardinal Alfredo Ottaviani (Italy)**

Vice-presidents:

- Cardinal Julius Döpfner (Germany)
- Cardinal John Carmel Heenan (England)-not voting, but meant to compile findings

Cardinal members:

- Valerian Gracias (India)
- Joseph-Charles Lefèbvre (France-cousin of Marcel Lefebvre who started schismatic Pius X Society)
- Lawrence Shehan (United States-Baltimore)
- Leo Joseph Suenens (Belgium)

Episcopal members:

- **Leo Binz (United States-St. Paul, MN)**
- Carlo Colombo (Italy)
- John Francis Dearden (United States-Detroit)
- Claude Dupuy (France)
- Thomas Morris (Ireland)
- José Rafael Pulido Méndez (Venezuela)
- Joseph Maria Reuss (Germany)
- **Karol Wojtyła (Poland)**
- Jean Baptiste Zoa (Cameroon)

- 7 out of 72 member commission make up the minority report (4 theologian priest and 3 bishops-in blue)
- Out of 15 Voting members: 9 said yes to contraception, **3 said no**, and 3 abstained from voting.

Part II: Actual Encyclical (Inner Heart)-*Humanae Vitae* (Promulgated July 25, 1968-Feast of St. James).

Main theme:

Human life is meant for happiness and the Church cannot ignore things that take us away from happiness or when people are confused about how to find that happiness



“The transmission of human life is a most serious role in which married people collaborate freely and responsibly with God the Creator...The fulfillment of this duty has always posed problems to the conscience of married people, but the recent course of human society and the concomitant changes have provoked new questions. **The Church cannot ignore these questions, for they concern matters intimately connected with the life and happiness of human beings” (HV#1).**



1. Rapid population growth
2. Change in how people view women
3. Change in value and meaning of conjugal love
4. Man wants to be the master of his entire being (HV#2)

Humanae Vitae- Changes it addresses

Humanae Vitae #4: Who is the Church to tell me what to do?!!

- We should follow technology!?
 - Technology is neutral but can be used for good or bad.
- We need to fight for “freedom”!?
 - [Freedom](#) of Indifference vs Freedom of Excellence
- Who are you to tell me what to do?
 - Church is Mouthpiece of God, the God who made our nature, and as a Mother wants what is best for us.





- In order to find happiness we need to:
 1. Consider at total vision of man (HV#7)
 2. Conjugal love can only truly be actualized when considered in its source God who is love (HV#8)
 3. Look for Real Love (HV#9)
 - Free
 - Total
 - Faithful
 - Fruitful



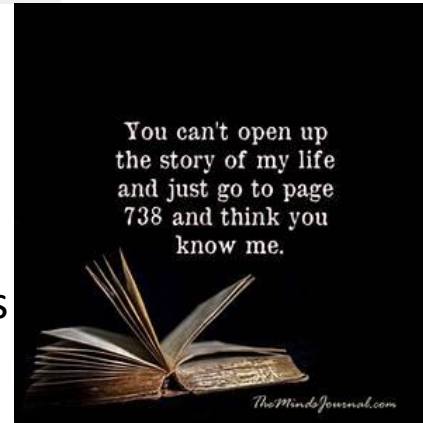
Humanae Vitae: Listen to
Mama#7-14



TIME TO LISTEN

God's Design for Sex

1. Two-fold purpose of sex: Union and Procreation (Bonding and Babies)-HV#12
2. Each sexual act must be open to life otherwise it cheapens the gift



- Responsible Parenthood
 - Biologically-Principle of Integrity
 - Affectively/Volitionally-Self Mastery
 - Economic/Psychological, and social conditions-Rationality in line with the moral law
- Summary
 - “In a word, the exercise of responsible parenthood requires that husband and wife, **keeping a right order of priorities, recognize their own duties toward God, themselves, their families and human society**” (HV#10)[emphasis mine].

Humanae Vitae: Listen to Mama#7-14

*Humanae Vitae#10-13:
Responsible Parenthood and
Purpose of Conjugal Act*

Humanae Vitae#14-15: Just say No to false love (Unlawful means of Birth Regulation)

- Direct interruption of the generative process already begun
- Directly willed and procured abortions even if for therapeutic reasons is to be absolutely excluded (HV#14)
- Directly sterilized conjugal acts
- You can not directly will an evil for a greater good (HV#14)

- Principle of Double Effect: Allowing (NOTE-not willing) an evil so the good may come about

Principle of Double Effect

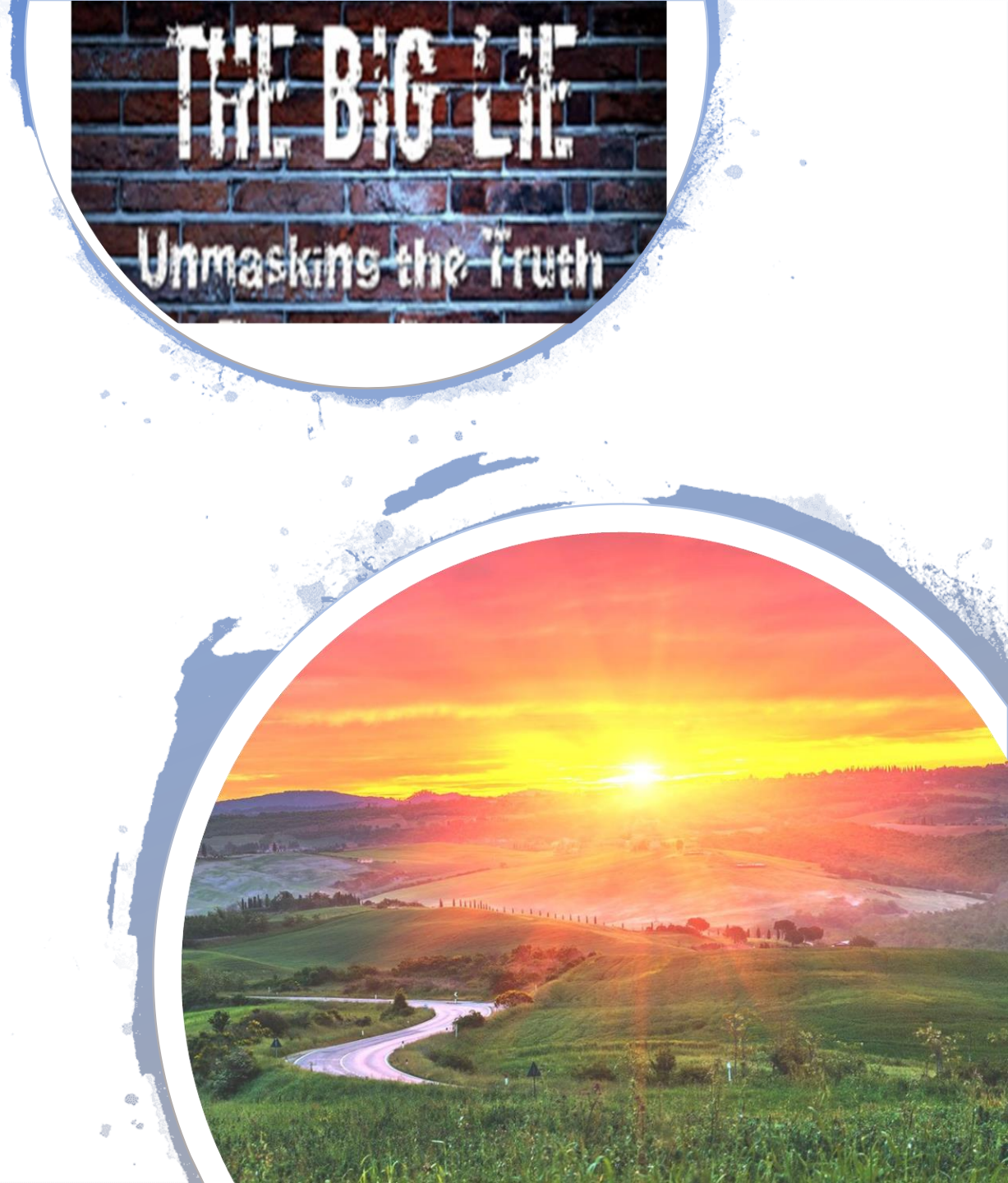


1. The act must be morally good or indifferent.
2. One must intend the good & not the evil.
3. The evil cannot be a means to achieve the good.
4. There must be a proportionate reason.

**DON'T JUST
SAY NO, SAY YES
TO SOMETHING
MORE IMPORTANT.**

Humanae Vitae#16- 31:Following the Path to Love

- NFP vs Artificial Birth Control (Unmasking consequentialism)
- How to live out God's vision of Married Love
 1. Self-Mastery (HV#21/16)
 - Abstinence as a sign of love and safeguard of fidelity (HV#16)
 2. Creating an [Environment of Chastity](#) (HV#22-24)
 3. Become the Married Couple that God is calling you to be (HV#25-26)
 1. **Marriage is meant to fulfill Baptismal vows and Christian vocation (HV#25)**
 2. **Marriage as Sacramental sign:** The Lord entrusts the task of making visible to men the holiness and gentleness of the law that unites the mutual love of husband and wife to their cooperation with the love of God **(HV#25)**
 3. **Married Couples need to be strengthened** to live this out through the Eucharist and Penance**(HV#25)**
 4. **Need to become guides for other married couples** of the possibility and joys of married love (HV#26)



Humanae Vitae#28-29: Challenge to Priest/Clergy

- And now, beloved sons, you who are priests...We turn to you filled with great confidence. **For it is your principal duty...to spell out clearly and completely the Church's teaching on marriage.** In the performance of your ministry you must be the first to give an example of that sincere obedience, inward as well as outward, which is due to the magisterium of the Church. ...**Now it is an outstanding manifestation of charity toward souls to omit nothing from the saving doctrine of Christ; but this must always be joined with tolerance and charity**...Teach married couples the indispensable way of prayer (HV#28-29).

TO LIGHT A FIRE ON THE EARTH

Proclaiming the Gospel in a Secular Age



Part III-Fruits of *Humanae Vitae*: Building the House of Life (Outer Cloak)

Culture of Life

Lay Organization/Ecclesial Organizations dedicated to Promoting Human Life

- Pope Paul VI Institute-Studies reproduction advances
- American Life League/Couple to Couple League/March 4 Life
- Diocesan NFP and Family Life Offices
- Tepeyac Clinic in Fairfax, VA
- Advancing Humane Vitae conferences
- National Catholic Bioethics Center
- Priest for Life/Sisters for Life (Orders founded to promote and serve life at every stage)
- Bioethics curricula in schools such as Pope Saint John Paul II in Dumfries, VA
- Etc.

John Paul II:

Theology of the Body-Defense of *Humanae Vitae* and Biblical View of the Total Human Person

Familiaris Consortio-On Family,
Dignitatis Humanae-Defending life,
Mulieris Dignitatem-Dignity of women

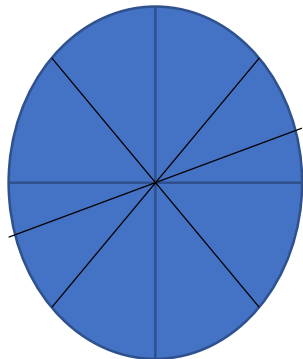
Centissimus Annus and Sollicitudo Rei Socialis-Refuting Overpopulation and showing the dignity of Human work
Veritatis Splendor: Refutes False Philosophies and shows importance of truth in Forming Consciences

Humanae Vitae (1968)

Population Control Explanation

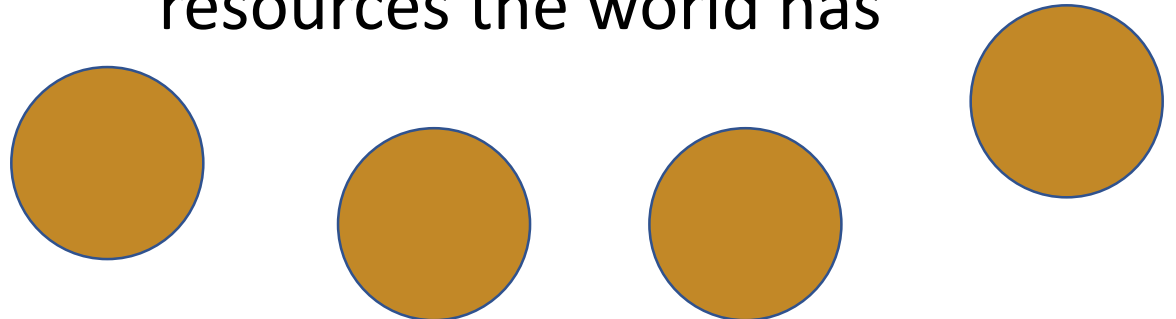
Population Argument (Static Model)

- Static Resources (Erich Population Bomb 1968)
- More people = less resources and prosperity



Dynamic Model

- *Humanae Vitae* as foundation to John Paul II's response in *Laborem Exercens: [On Human Work#26](#)* (Dynamic Model)
- Each person is their own pie so the more people the more resources the world has



Conclusion: Culture of Life vs Culture of Death

Culture of Life: Unites babies and bonding → meaningful conjugal acts → deeper unity because you know you are being loved and not used → joy bring contentment and encourages more people to be loved and uphold their dignity → acknowledgement of self-worth and have healthy relationships, i.e **love of self, neighbor,** and God= **holiness/happiness**

Culture of Death: Divides babies and bonding → changes conjugal act's meaning to pleasure and/or false selfish "love" or disorderd love (cannot achieve its intended purpose)like pornography/same sex unions/polygamy/pedophilia/necrophilia → isolation and lack of communion → depression and anger → **death of self, society, and relationship with God = Vice-filled life/misery**



Conclusion: Culture of Life vs Culture of Death

- “I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live” (Deut. 30:19).
- “I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly” (Jn. 10: 9-10).

