

Confidential!

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No. 51

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Dear Miss Kitko:

At long last, I am able to send you mimeographed copies of my letter of November 19, 1971, which contains a report on my recent trip to Europe and especially on my audience with Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre in Fribourg, Switzerland, on October 1, 1971. I had started the stencils of this letter in November, but had to interrupt this job because of other, more pressing work. Now, my son Benedikt, who safely returned from Vietnam in the last days of December 1971, has finished the stencils and has written all the stencils for the other articles here enclosed. He has meanwhile resumed his graduate work at the University of Buffalo.

In the Schuckardt affair, I heard, so far, an unconfirmed rumor that the "ordination" was performed on October 31, 1971, and the "consecration" on the next day by a "Bishop Brown" in Chicago, Illinois. It is sure that in the Schuckardt party going to the "consecration" "the woman" was present, because she was seen by Mr. & Mrs. Beemster when they appeared at his home in De Pere, Wisconsin with the intention of picking up (absent) Mr. Francis Panakal. It is also certain that Mr. Panakal, after second thoughts, did not enter the Schuckardt community and did not seek ordination from Schuckardt. The fact that, though Mr. Schuckardt's most recent ecclesiastical adventures happened already more than 3 months ago, no "manifesto" of Schuckardt has appeared, seems to me an indication that "something is rotten in the State of Denmark."

The main purpose of this letter is to acquaint you with my latest efforts of inducing Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre to take over the primacy of the Remnant Catholic Church, and to invite you to promote my efforts. For this purpose, I submit to you mimeographed copies of a series of letters, prominent among them my two letters addressed to the Archbishop (Nos. 45 and 48) and the letter addressed to you (No. 47) because it contains the report on my audience with the Archbishop. The letters to Mr. Beemster (No. 49) and Miss Margaret M. O'Leary concern people I addressed to support my action.

What I would like you to do is to find a group of Catholics in your area who share our religious convictions and to induce these people to make a petition to Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre to take over the hierarchical leadership of what is left of the Catholic Church.

The text of this petition can be very short. It might run like this:

Your Excellency:

Since it is an obvious fact manifested especially by the Protestantizing of the Mass that the present Catholic church organization has become a Protestant sect and is no longer the Catholic Church, the undersigned petition Your Excellency, whom they regard as an orthodox-Catholic bishop and true successor of the Apostles, to take over the hierarchical leadership of the remaining orthodox Catholics who alone represent what is left of the Catholic Church, and to organize this Remnant Catholic Church in such a way that the attendance of

valid Masses and the reception of valid sacraments, both necessary for salvation, become available to the remaining orthodox Catholics on a regular basis.

All signers of this petition have attached signed texts of the "Profession of Faith of the Council of Trent" and of the "Oath Against the Errors of Modernism" as proof of their allegiance to the true Catholic faith.

We have the honor to be, Your Excellency,

Yours respectfully,
[signatures]

It is desirable to get the signatures of priests for this petition. But this is no necessary condition at all.

Try to win Fr. Debuschere for the project.

Now, do the best in the vineyard of Our Lord!

Let me know if you need more copies of the enclosures to this letter.

With all good wishes to you and to your sister from my wife and me,

Yours sincerely,



Hugo Maria Kellner

Enclosures

Important Postscript

All those basically conservative priests who have, so far, continued their service in the apostate Catholic church organization with a highly troubled conscience under the lame excuse that no bishop has, so far, taken over the leadership of those who have remained faithful to Catholic orthodoxy should support this petition to Archbishop Lefebvre wholeheartedly because it opens to them a possibility of exercising their priestly office in the true Catholic Church under legitimate episcopal authority. No harm can derive to them from signing the proposed petition because it may be made under the protection of confidentiality.

H. M. K.