



News Story

Campos Update IV

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Just as TRADITIO predicted, the Campos sell-out to the Novus Ordo is continuing to fall apart. Yet this is the centerpiece that the New Vatican is trying to use to connive traditional Catholics into giving up their Faith and throwing their lot in with a sugared-up Novus Ordo "indult."

Word of the internal schism in the Society of St. John Vianney between those (including the new bishop) who are oriented toward the Novus Ordo and those who regret ever having given up their fully traditional stance is starting to circulate widely. The Campos administration is now starting to panic and is lashing out against the voices of fact and reality in a cover-up of the impossible situation in which they as indultarians now find themselves. A recent statement included the following:

We are anxious to put the faithful linked with our Apostolic Administration on their guard against certain publications, sent even to non-subscribers, which claim to be Catholic and traditional, but in reality are not Catholic, since they do not respect the most elementary moral rules. These publications have circulated articles on the Administration which are false, they have slandered our Apostolic Administrator, they have questioned some canonisations and have later rejected saints canonised by the Holy Father Pope John Paul II. Some people connected with these publications have driven the faithful into leaving the Administration. They have circulated stories of division among the priests of the Administration, and of some priests wishing to leave it.

The statement cited primarily organs of the Society of St. Pius X. It is ironic that Campos should be worrying about information mailed to "non-subscribers," since the Campos administration has been plastering the United States (and perhaps other countries) with expensive propaganda pieces and even periodicals about how wonderful the "indult" in Campos is, at the same time that the Society of St. John Vianney in Campos is falling apart at the seams since its abandonment of full traditional Catholicism.

Well, we have seen all of this before: lies, deceit, and concealment on the part of the Novus Ordo bishops and the New Vatican. They deny the existence of any problems, while the Novus Ordo Church falls down around them. They virtually ignore the most scandalous goings-on in the dioceses and seminaries. They extol Vatican II as the savior of the Church, while they deny that Our Lord Jesus Christ is the Savior for all men. Remember, that when Campos sold out to the "indult," it had to take the "Vatican II Oath" that comes from the 1984 "Indult" *Quattuor abhinc annos*, which prescribes:

That it be made publicly clear beyond all ambiguity that such priests and their respective faithful in no way share the positions of those who call into question the legitimacy and doctrine exactitude of the Roman Missal promulgated by Pope Paul VI in 1970.

In other words, in order to be an indultarian, you must accept the legitimacy of the Novus Ordo, which even leading Roman theologians at the time denied was Catholic! Since then the documents questioning the validity of the New Order, which started essentially in 1967 with Patrick Omlor's *Questioning the Validity of the New, All-English Canon*, have grown in number and persuasion. Yet, the indultarians must play games with their conscience and with the truth so that they can get the crumb of an "indult" Mass.

This whole effort is a train-wreck. There are even rumors (like the false one a couple of weeks ago about the SSPX succumbing to the Novus Ordo) that within a month the Vatican will "loosen" the indult. If such a thing should happen (and I have serious doubts about it), it will simply lead to open warfare between the Novus Ordo bishops against the New Vatican, between local presbyters and their bishops, and so forth. Moreover, nothing will have been "fixed," because an "indult," or even "pseudo-indult," Mass will not fix the error and even apostasy of the Novus Ordo Church, which ranges far beyond the Mass alone to *all* of the Sacraments and *all* of Catholic doctrine.

The Pope was distressed that Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre rejected the "reforms" of the 1960s as "Marxist" and "neo-Protestant," and yet history proves the archbishop right and the pope wrong. Recently, the SSPX Chief Bishop put the real issue on the line (we only pray that he has the courage not to deviate from full traditional Catholicism):

The real problem is the practical problem of what foundations the mansion will rest on. On the shifting sands of Vatican II, or on the rock of tradition going back to the Apostles?

The Pope is said to believe that the Traditional Latin Mass "poses neither a threat to the unity of the Church nor to the genuine reforms of the Second Vatican Council." Well, isn't that the heart of the problem? The Novus Ordo should be completely threatened by the Roman Catholicism of 2000 years, which shows up the New Order as a Great Counterfeit, a mere facade of Catholicism. It is not possible for traditional Catholics to settle for a sugar-coated "indult" Mass. They must stand firm for all of Catholicism: the Catholic Mass, the Catholic Sacraments, and the Catholic Faith, not the Novus Ordo substitutes for them.

Meanwhile, TRADITIO's mailbox is getting fuller and fuller of messages from people saying that they have abandoned the Novus Ordo and even its "indult" for full traditional Catholicism. It has taken forty years, but Catholics are learning that where the Faith is concerned, they're damned if they're going to settle for half a loaf.

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