

Defending Catholic Truth Against the Errors of Ecumenism

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The Kingdom of Sweden was chosen as the place where the followers of Martin Luther decided to kick off the year-long celebration of the 500th anniversary of his revolt against the Church and its teachings. There is no better country than Sweden for that purpose.

Why? Here you can taste most of the bitter fruits of “Reformation” – an irreligious and thoroughly secularized society with widespread abortion, divorce and sodomy, gradually losing any sense (also due to its liberal immigration policy and multicultural madness) of its Christian and European identity.

But it is not just the agnostic and religiously indifferent majority of Swedish society that sees no problem with the aforementioned evils. The Church of Sweden, walking in the steps of Lutheran “Reformation”,

is no different. It seems to be void of any specifically Christian content.

A good number of their “clergy” from top to bottom do not believe in the Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ or His Resurrection. They accept ordination of women – their “archbishop” is a female – and many other liberal dogmas, including contraception, divorce and remarriage; even abortion and same-sex marriage.

The openly lesbian “Bishop” of Stockholm Eva Brunne, who recently “divorced” her “wife”, speaks volumes about the level of diabolical disorientation that is affecting this particular Lutheran sect.

You may ask: Should we, Catholics, be concerned with what is going on within the Lutheran milieu? There would be no reason if it was not Pope Francis himself who was telling

the world that what unites us with these perverts is much greater than what divides us.

And to show he means business, Francis came to Lund and Malmö in person to make clear to everyone that the Church *de facto* erred in the past when it excommunicated Luther and condemned his heresies.

Francis, typical of all the prelates with modernist mindsets, would never dare to call Luther's errors "heresies". That is why we heard from him about mere "differences" that must be overcome. How? By walking, hand in hand, the path "from conflict to communion." Silly, if not outrageous.

Real Unity Is Return to the One True Church of Christ

Instead of reminding the present Lutherans that the necessary condition for achieving real unity is "the return to the one true Church of Christ of those who are separated from it" (*Mortalium animos*, Pius XI, 1928), he took an active part in an ecumenical event in a Lutheran cathedral (confiscated from Catholics in 1536), in a liturgy concocted by the Lutheran World Federation and the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of Christian Unity.

Here he co-signed a Joint Statement, containing scandalous statements, undermining the dogmatic teachings of the Church.

Francis' signature under the sentence "As we recommit ourselves to move from conflict to communion, we do so as part of the one Body of Christ, into which we are incorporated through Baptism" is a clear rejection of the perennial Catholic teaching, well expressed by Pius XII in his monumental encyclical on the Church, *Mystici Corporis Christi*: "Actually only those are to be included as members of the Church who have been baptized and profess the true faith, and who have not been so unfortunate as to separate themselves from the unity of the Body, or been excluded by legitimate authority for grave faults committed.

"For in one spirit", says the Apostle, "were we all baptized into one Body, whether Jews or Gentiles, whether bond or free. As therefore in the true Christian community there is only one Body, one Spirit, one Lord, and one Baptism, so there can be only one faith. And therefore, if a man refuse to hear the Church, let him be considered – so the Lord commands – as a heathen and a publican.

It follows that those who are divided in faith or government cannot be living in the unity of such a Body, nor can they be living the life of its one Divine Spirit.”

How can a Vicar of Christ acknowledge, with gratitude, the spiritual and theological gifts received through “Reformation” when “reformation” was nothing else than a revolt against the authority of the papacy and the Church, the sacrificial nature of the Holy Mass, Transubstantiation and the Catholic moral teachings? It is simply mind boggling.

And how can someone, who claims to be a Pope, state the following: “With gratitude we acknowledge that the Reformation helped give greater centrality to Sacred Scripture in the Church’s life.”?

This event in Sweden undermines the very foundations of the Catholic Faith.

The Fatima Center has foreseen the crimes against the One True Faith committed in Lund and Malmö by Francis and his entourage. For that reason, fully aware of the scandalous nature of the papal involvement in Luther’s festivities, it decided to make a Pilgrimage

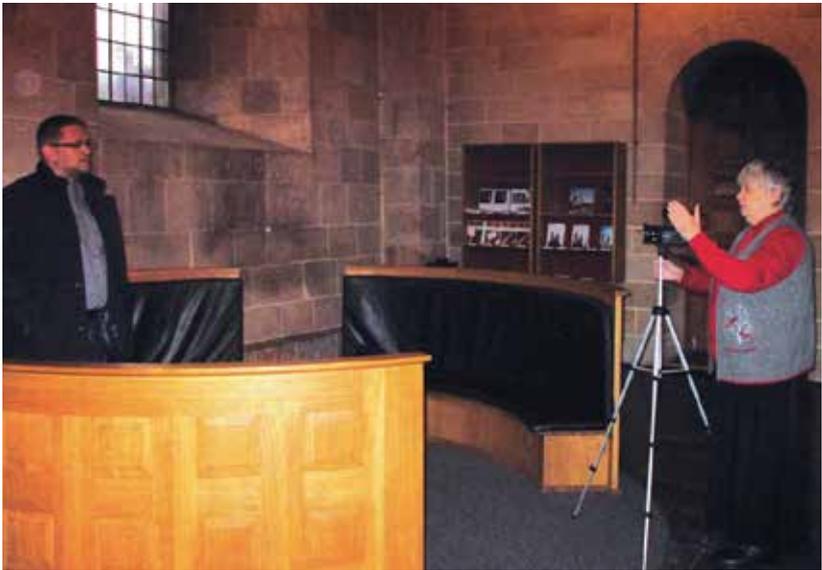
of Reparation. Not in Fort Erie, Canada, but in Lund and Malmö. With the help of a group of courageous traditional Catholics from Sweden and Denmark and with the spiritual assistance of Fr. Håkan Lindström, FSSPX, we reached thousands of souls on the spot with the truths about Lutheranism, presented to them the spiritual dangers of ecumenism and made the case for the Catholic Faith in its fullness and integrity.

We were not stopped in distributing Catholic materials either by the modernist Catholic clergy, or by police (in fact, the policemen were friendlier to us than the clergy). The culminating event of our pilgrimage was the procession with Our Lady of Fatima through the streets of Lund just at the time when the ecumenical travesty in the local cathedral was going on.

Did anyone notice?

Hundreds of people present were taking pictures of the procession, but, as usual, the mainstream media didn’t report on it. But who may have noticed, surprisingly, was Francis himself.

We stood only a few meters from him when he was approaching the stadium in Malmö for his Pontifical Mass.



Inside the Lutheran Cathedral: Michal Semin being interviewed by *The Fatima Crusader* editor, Coralie Graham. See Michal's daily video reports from Sweden on our Web site – fatima.org – in our featured “Rapid Response Team” section.

The car went slowly and while he waved at us we pulled out a large sign requesting: DON'T HIDE THE CATHOLIC TRUTH. Only the future will tell if he takes heed of our well-meaning request or not.

At present the situation is not rosy at all. After undermining the indissolubility of marriage and related truths in the recent exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis is attacking, using ecumenism, the very foundations of the Church.

Thus we find ourselves in a rather paradoxical situation – while we are defending the

dignity and rights of the papacy, the Pope himself abuses the papal office to make us all protestant. This is diabolical disorientation in its highest form.

So while the Joint Statement from Lund frighteningly calls “upon all Lutheran and Catholic parishes and communities to be bold and creative”, The Fatima Center calls upon Catholics around the globe to remain faithful to the One True Faith, resist the errors of the ecumenical movement and pray for the conversion of the spiritual children of Martin Luther. May Our Lady of Fatima help us! **FC**