

Is the devil winning?

Hell no! The Church can bust the gates of hell. Liars are losers! Read the end of the book. Jesus wins! Do not be afraid.

It's too easy to become pessimistic about the future of our Church when we look with worldly eyes. It's too easy to despair of our Christian way of life when we think with ungraced minds. Popular media, higher education and government do give support to the culture of death. Militant Islam, same sex marriage, and dozens of agendas from hell, all do declare their victory. There are things on TV that would have closed down a burlesque theatre fifty years ago. There are many more Christian martyrs today than there ever were in pagan Rome. We have a vocation shortage and scandals and thousands of nominal Catholics are leaving the Church each month. Sometimes it almost looks like the damned liar is winning. (He is really damned you know.) The devil is efficient at what he does; and tricky.

But in reality our Church has gone through several major crises during its 2000 year history. It's still here. Even before the Church we see in the Old Testament how God allowed what seemed like almost complete destruction of His people. A holy remnant of people always came through, purified and renewed. Our Holy Catholic Church has also needed periodic cleansings and we know God can always bring great blessings out of what looks like defeat. In the Bible our Lord guarantees that our Church will survive until He comes again in glory. We don't know when that will be but we do know for sure we are closer to His Kingdom than at any other time in history.

Something big is in the air. Can you feel it? Private prophecies from all around the world seem to fit biblical prophecies. A time of great conversion of people, nations and cultures is on the horizon. Today is a time of decision. Luke-warm Catholics will either heat up or fall away completely. We are preparing to welcome millions of new and enthusiastic Catholics and the Church will awaken as the glorious Bride of Jesus she is meant to be.

Pray about this and see how you fit in. Prepare your hearts to be part of God's unfolding enterprise. Does the devil win? Don't be silly.