

# Profession of Tridentine Faith, 1564

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*A formal profession for personal devotional, catechetical, and confessional use.*

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, with a firm faith believe and profess all and every one of the things contained in that Creed which the holy Roman Church makes use of:

### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages; God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God; begotten, not made; consubstantial with the Father, by Whom all things were made.

Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

He was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures.

And He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father.

And He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead; of Whose kingdom there shall be no end.

And in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who, together with the Father and the Son, is adored and glorified; Who spoke by the Prophets.

And one, holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the remission of sins.

And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

I most steadfastly admit and embrace apostolic and ecclesiastical traditions, and all other observances and constitutions of the same Church.

I also admit the holy Scriptures, according to that sense which our holy mother Church has held and does hold, to which it belongs to judge of the true sense and interpretation of the Scriptures; neither will I ever take and interpret them otherwise than according to the unanimous consent of the Fathers.

I also profess that there are truly and properly seven sacraments of the new law, instituted by Jesus Christ our Lord, and necessary for the salvation of mankind, though not all for every one, to wit: baptism, confirmation, the Eucharist, penance, extreme unction, holy orders, and matrimony; and that they confer grace; and that these three, baptism, confirmation, and ordination, cannot be reiterated without sacrilege. I also receive and admit the received and approved ceremonies of the Catholic Church, used in the solemn administration of the aforesaid sacraments.

I embrace and receive all and every one of the things which have been defined and declared in the holy Council of Trent concerning original sin and justification.

I profess, likewise, that in the Mass there is offered to God a true, proper, and propitiatory sacrifice for the living and the dead; and that in the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist there is truly, really, and substantially the Body and Blood, together with the Soul and Divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ; and that there is made a change of the whole substance of the bread into the Body, and of the whole substance of the wine into the Blood; which change the Catholic Church calls transubstantiation.

I also confess that under either kind alone, Christ is received whole and entire, and a true sacrament.

I firmly hold that there is a purgatory, and that the souls therein detained are helped by the suffrages of the faithful. Likewise, I hold that the saints reigning with Christ are to be honoured and invoked, and that they offer up prayers to God for us, and that their relics are to be had in veneration.

I most firmly assert that the images of Christ, and of the perpetual Virgin, the Mother of God, and also of the other saints, ought to be had and retained, and that due honour and veneration are to be given them. I also affirm that the power of indulgences was left by Christ in the Church, and that the use of them is most wholesome to Christian people.

I acknowledge the holy Catholic Apostolic Roman Church for the mother and mistress of all churches; and I promise and swear true obedience to the Bishop of Rome, successor to Saint Peter, Prince of the Apostles, and Vicar of Jesus Christ.

I likewise undoubtingly receive and profess all other things delivered, defined, and declared by the Sacred Canons and General Councils, particularly by the holy Council of Trent; and I condemn, reject, and anathematize all things contrary thereto, and all heresies which the Church has condemned, rejected, and anathematized.

## **Additional Renunciations Against the Vatican II Sect**

I likewise reject, renounce, and anathematize the errors, novelties, ambiguities, and false doctrines commonly advanced under the name of the Second Vatican Council and by the post-conciliar Vatican II Sect, insofar as they depart from, obscure, contradict, or undermine the Catholic Faith once delivered to the saints and solemnly professed by the holy Roman Catholic Church.

I reject and renounce every form of modernism, liberalism, religious indifferentism, false ecumenism, naturalism, subjectivism, and doctrinal evolutionism, by which the immutable dogmas of the Catholic Faith are treated as though they may be reinterpreted, diminished, reversed, or made compatible with the errors of the age.

I reject and renounce the false doctrine that all religions are equally pleasing to God, or that false religions, considered as false religions, are ordinary means of salvation. I profess that there is one true religion, the Catholic religion, and one true Church of Christ, the holy Catholic Apostolic Roman Church, outside of which no one can be saved except by that grace which leads souls, explicitly or implicitly, to the truth and unity of the Catholic Church.

I reject and renounce any interpretation of religious liberty which teaches that man has a natural moral right before God to profess, practice, spread, or publicly defend religious error. I profess that Christ the King has rights over individuals, families, societies, rulers, and nations, and that civil authority is bound to recognize and favor the true religion according to the law of God and the teaching of the Catholic Church.

I reject and renounce false ecumenism, by which the Catholic Faith is placed on the same level as heresy, schism, Judaism, Islam, paganism, unbelief, or any other false religion. I reject all common worship, interreligious ceremonies, and doctrinal compromises which imply that the Catholic Church is merely one religious body among many, rather than the one ark of salvation established by Our Lord Jesus Christ.

I reject and renounce every interpretation of the phrase "Church of Christ" which separates, obscures, or weakens the identity of the Church of Christ with the Catholic Apostolic Roman Church. I profess that the Church founded by Our Lord Jesus Christ is not an invisible collection of separated communities, but the visible Catholic Church governed by the successor of Saint Peter and the bishops in communion with him.

I reject and renounce any doctrine of episcopal collegiality, synodality, or shared governance which diminishes, confuses, or contradicts the supreme, full, immediate, and universal jurisdiction of the Roman Pontiff, as defined by the holy Council of Florence and the Vatican Council.

I reject and renounce all liturgical reforms, rites, ceremonies, translations, rubrics, disciplines, and practices which obscure, weaken, or deny the Catholic doctrines of the Mass as a true, proper, and propitiatory sacrifice; the Real Presence of Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist; the sacrificial priesthood; the necessity of penance; the reverence due to the Blessed Sacrament; and the distinction between the ordained priesthood and the laity.

I reject and renounce the irreverence, sacrilege, communion abuses, altar desacralization, Protestantizing tendencies, and anthropocentric spirit introduced or tolerated in the post-conciliar liturgical order. I profess my firm attachment to the received and approved rites of the Roman Catholic Church, especially the traditional Roman Mass and the traditional sacramental rites handed down by the Church.

I reject and renounce every catechism, code, decree, declaration, instruction, pastoral policy, theological opinion, or disciplinary practice which contradicts, weakens, or evades the definitions of the Sacred Canons, the General Councils, the Council of Trent, the Vatican Council, and the constant magisterium of the Roman Pontiffs.

I reject and renounce the error that the Church of Christ must be adapted to the spirit of the modern world. I profess that the world must be converted to Christ, that Christ must reign, and that the Catholic Faith does not receive judgment from the age, but judges every age by the unchanging truth of God.

I reject and renounce the false notion that dogma evolves into another meaning than that which the Church has once declared. I profess that the same sacred dogmas are to be believed always in the same sense and in the same meaning, according to the rule of Saint Vincent of Lerins and the solemn teaching of the Catholic Church.

I reject and renounce all communion, obedience, cooperation, or religious submission to any sect, hierarchy, rite, doctrine, or authority which knowingly teaches, imposes, or defends doctrines contrary to the Catholic Faith as professed in this Tridentine Profession.

Yet I make these renunciations without hatred toward any person, praying for the conversion, repentance, illumination, and salvation of all who have been deceived, confused, or wounded by these errors. I desire not the destruction of souls, but their return to the one true Catholic Faith, the one true Church, and the saving reign of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, in union with the holy Catholic Faith of all ages, I reject, condemn, and anathematize the Vatican II Sect, the post-conciliar modernist religion, and all doctrines, rites, disciplines, and practices contrary to the Faith defined and handed down by the holy Roman Catholic Church.

## **Final Profession and Oath**

**I do, at this present, freely profess and truly hold this true Catholic Faith, without which no one can be saved; and I promise most constantly to retain and confess the same entire and inviolate, with God's assistance, to the end of my life.**

**And I will take care, as far as in me lies, that it shall be held, taught, and preached by my subjects, or by those the care of whom shall appertain to me in my office.**

**This I promise, vow, and swear - so help me God, and these holy Gospels of God. Amen.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_