

An Email to My Family

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Dear Family,

The topic of this letter is about "family" which I hold as the primary reason of my life, and now with Tegan's engagement to be married to Sam, I feel this desire to share the following. So through God's Holy Spirit, Grace and Mercy, I will proceed out from within my heart all the while praying you'll not be "rolling your eyes" as you read what I am about to write.

Family is an institution created by God as His Loving Arms for you and me. In other words, family is sacred ground.

God's Divine Plan manifests in the world by that Love which abounds within a family.

In other words, the world is a better place because of who/what we are as a family. Not that this has been easy for you coming from a broken one. Yet because of your Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation (except for you McKenzy) at such an early age, you had become endowed with Holy Grace, the outward sign of a Holy Sacrament. Before the age of reason, you were dressed in the robe of holiness and adopted into the Holy Eucharist - the Body of Christ. This unconscious force has preserved your life in spite of your own "free will" leading you up to now in this present moment. If you don't think this is true, just ask yourselves "How is it that I have survived so far up to this point in time while all others have not?" Trust me, it has not been because of your own power, talents (or missed talents), economic or social status. It has and is by power of His Holy Grace and by the many blessings received from ALL the holy prayers interceding on yours and my behalf beginning with our ancestor Abraham.

You are obligated to baptize all children you create and you are obligated to bring them up as Catholics as I did with you. Yet on the other hand my life should not be an example so do not follow in my footsteps for I had abandoned God in order to live in Man's World...I spent not only my inheritance which my parents had given me, but also the inheritance that I had received living the "faith of my youth". Yet I am afraid, you are destined for a similar demise, and the only difference between you and me is that I had pious parents devoted to the Catholic faith which allowed me to find my way back home. I'm afraid you were brought up with compromise and watered down truths. Yet I have faith that someday, you will recognize the Truth, the Way and the Life through Our Lady, Mother of God, the movement of Divine Mercy and the Ministry of Holy Love in completing the salvation history of ALL MANKIND. His word is forever and it is within you, no matter how grievous your sins. He is the Good Shepherd, He knows His sheep and His sheep know His voice. Though it would be good advice for you to study Holy Scriptures, blindly practice the "faith of your youth" and to pray the Holy Rosary daily.

Sin and apostasy are increasing at an exponential rate throughout the whole world. Remember, where there is sin, there is evil but where there is sin there is an abundance of GRACE. So seek it with ALL your strength. We are to await the coming of Our Lord by living in a state of Holy GRACE. Please memorize this pray "Mary, Refuge of Holy Love, I offer up my heart now in this present moment to be placed into Your Immaculate Heart that it may be made pure and holy and found worthy for the embrace of Your Son's Sacred Heart of Divine Love." Amen (Say it no matter how grievous your sins may be or in the absence of a Holy Priest.)

Be on the look out for the following signs. Your lives are constantly in flux. It takes more and more of your time and energy to achieve success with little or no rewards or satisfaction given in return. You're always having to put out fires at work, at home and in the community. There is a lack of harmony and well-being. Great bouts of anxiety, doubt and low self confidence. These red flags indicate that your life is running on empty of His Holy GRACE...and that you are far from the Peace and Love of God. Remember! No matter how dark your life becomes at the name of Jesus, every knee will bow even Satan's. Shortest prayer besides the Sign of the Cross is "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, I trust in you."