Against Gerry Matatics

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Gerry Sins by Omission and Association (10/02)

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Dear Gerry Matatics,

Gerry, what I say is not out of hatred towards you, but first for the love of God and his eternal truths and then for love of your soul. I would be overjoyed if we could fight sideby-side as Catholic brothers, but that cannot happen until you repent, convert, and abjure.

The Baptism Controversy Debate

Before I go on I will make a brief mention of our debate regarding the Baptism Controversy we had in 1996 for the sake of the readers. Gerry holds the opinion that explicit desire for baptism and blood martyrdom can sanctify a soul and place it in the way of salvation. I do not. I believe water baptism is absolutely necessary for the remission of sins and to be in the way of salvation. Both Gerry and I believe the dogma "No Salvation Outside the Catholic Church" in the same sense as the popes infallibly defined it. That is, we believe that no one can be saved without explicit faith in Jesus Christ, the Incarnation, and the Most Holy Trinity, and that Protestants and Schismatics cannot be saved unless they abjure their false religions and enter the Catholic Church. We both condemn the implicit faith heretics [3/15/2005 Those who deny the Salvation Dogma]. Gerry, correct me if I have misstated your position.

So, who won the baptism debate? A future pope can only determine that when he infallibly settles this legitimate dispute. Both Gerry and I believe that both opinions are allowed, and also the opinion the St. Benedict Center holds, that being, a man can be sanctified by the explicit desire but not saved. Regarding this topic, we both believe that who ever is wrong is not a heretic, but only in error. Gerry, correct me if I misstated your position.

When I debated Gerry I believed it was heresy to teach baptism of explicit desire [for catechumens 3/15/2005], and Gerry proved to me in the debate that it could not be heresy. In this Gerry was right and I was wrong. Gerry believed catechisms are infallible and I said they are not, and in this he was wrong and I was right.

[3/15/2005 - See: my book *The Baptism Controversy*]

I will now proceed to the main topic.

Refutation and Condemnation of Gerry Matatics

...Gerry, my duty as a Catholic in fulfilling my obligation to profess the faith and perform spiritual acts of mercy when the situation demands it, compels me to admonish, reprove, and rebuke you; one, for the glory of God; two, for the sake of the souls you are misleading; and three, in a hope that you might convert by cooperating with God's grace. Gerry, you are a heretic and apostate due to your sins of omission and by way of association; by way of association because you pray in communion with notorious heretics whose crimes are manifest. It is pointless to argue whether this makes you an actual heretic or only suspect of heresy, in both cases you commit mortal sin and are on the road to hell. In normal times, when there is a Catholic hierarchy, a Catholic who is suspect of heresy that does not repent within six months becomes a heretic. However, he is in mortal sin the instant he posits the cause (commits the sin of omission or of association) that makes him suspect. If he was not coerced against his will to commit the sin of omission or of association then in the eyes of God he is fully guilty of the sin and sinner he fails to condemn and separate from if they are sins against the faith or charity (schism). Simply put, Gerry, whether you are a Catholic in a state of mortal sin because of sins of omission and by way of association, or you are a non-Catholic in a state of mortal because of these sins, in both cases you are in a state of mortal sin and on the road to hell. If you were to die today without repenting, you would go to hell.

As to whether you explicitly believe heresies, we shall find out. Gerry, sins of omission are very, very, very serious and those who commit them share in the guilt of the sins and sinners they do not condemn.

"If any one sin, and hear the voice of one swearing, and is a witness either because he himself hath seen, or is privy to it: if he do not utter it, he shall bear his iniquity." (Lev. 5:1)

Pope St. Felix III (483-492): "Not to oppose error, is to approve it, and indeed to neglect to confound evil men, when we can do it, is no less a sin than to encourage them."

IV Lateran Council: "We decree that those who give credence to the teachings of heretics, as well as those who **receive, defend, or patronize them**, are excommunicated."

There are nine ways in which one shares in another's sin.

Catechism **Question:** In how many ways may we either cause or share in the guilt of another's sin? **Answer:** We may either cause or share the guilt of another's sin in nine ways: 1. By counsel; 2. By command; 3. By consent; 4. By provocation; 5. By praise or flattery; 6. By concealment; 7. By being a partner in the sin; 8. By silence; 9. By defending the ill done.

Gerry, your obligation to profess the faith demands that you call heresy, heresy, and a heretic, a heretic; idolatry, idolatry, and an idolater, an idolater; apostasy, apostasy, and an apostate, an apostate; and blaspheme, blaspheme, and a blasphemer, a blasphemer. If you do not condemn the crimes and criminals for what they are, or water down the crimes or guilt of the criminals, you share in the guilt of the crimes and criminals, and in doing so you would have implicitly denied the faith.

1917 Code of Canon Law: "1325.1 Obligation to Profess the Faith - The faithful are bound to profess their faith openly whenever under the circumstances **silence**, evasion, or their manner of

acting would otherwise **implicitly amount to a denial of the faith**, or would involve contempt of religion, an offense to God, or scandal to the neighbor."

Gerry, I have made it clear how serious sins of omission are, and that when one fails to profess the faith, when the circumstances demand it, he implicitly denies it. That means if you explicitly profess belief in a dogmatic truth but do not condemn those who contradict it, you have implicitly denied that dogma. That places you in mortal sin and on the road to damnation.

I will give you a brief test to see if you explicitly believe in heresy and/or condone crimes of idolatry and blasphemy. If you fail this test there is no point in going any further, for you would be exposed as explicitly believing in heresy and/or idolatry and thus you would be, on these points alone, a heretic and/or idolater.

1) Do Moslems worship the true God?

2) Is it heresy and apostasy to teach Moslems worship the true God?

3) Do the below Vatican II documents teach Moslems worship the true God?

Vatican II, Nostra Aetate: "3. The Church has also high esteem for the Muslims. They worship God, who is one, living and subsistent, merciful and almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth..."

Vatican II, Lumen Gentium: "16. The plan of salvation also includes those who acknowledge the Creator, in the first place amongst whom are the Moslems: these profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, mankind's judge on the last day."

4) Do these Vatican II documents contain heresy? [It is actually apostasy because it is a denial of Christ to say Moslems worship the true God, because they deny Christ and the Most Holy Trinity]

5) Does John Paul II teach Moslems worship the true God? See below evidence

John Paul II, May 5, 1999: "Muslims, who 'together with us adore the one, merciful God ... We believe in the same God, the one God, the living God, the God who created the world and brings His creatures to their perfection" (General Audience, May 5)

6) Does John Paul II teach heresy in his above statement?

4) When John Paul II kissed the Koran did he commit an act of idolatry and blasphemy?

5) When John Paul II prays with non-Catholics does he commit crimes of idolatry and blasphemy?

6) Gerry, during our baptism debate in 1996 you admitted the new, so-called "Catechism of the Catholic Church" contained heresy, but you did not believe it was properly promulgated. Well, sometime after the debate John Paul II did promulgate it. Do you still believe that catechism contains heresy?

If you pass the test I will then proceed to ask you if you have publicly exposed and condemned these crimes and criminals from the roof-tops, and if you do so at every

speaking engagement with all your might and vigor, and not just in front of selective audiences.

Of course, you would also have to post these crimes and the criminals who commit them on your website for all to see, in a most accessible and primary location, if not, then this proves you have implicitly denied the faith and sinned by omission, and thus are an apostate and heretic. I know you have not posted the crimes and criminals on your website from viewing it. <u>http://www.gerrymatatics.org</u> It is filled with the worse sort of self-love, self-exaltation, vanity, and pride. It is filled with testimonies of men on how great you are while you remain silent about the crimes committed against Almighty God, about matters regarding the very core of the Catholic faith that are being denied and blasphemed by those whom you are in communion with. Where is your love of God that you remain silent while God is being blasphemed? Do you think God stands idly by while you ignore and cover up the crimes committed against His Almighty Majesty?

I have listed a multitude of crimes along with the criminals who committed them in my books and other writings that are found on my website, the enormity and quantity of which would make a true Catholic cry out in righteous anger at the horror of the monstrous abominations and blasphemes against God. Yet, you have not listed any such crimes and the criminals who commit them on your website. Gerry, honestly examine your conscience, are you not hiding all of this? Why? It is because you love men (human respect) and popularity (vanity and pride) more than God, and also money more than God.

All the good things you say are worthless and a cover up until you address the primary issues of heresy, heretics, apostasy, apostates, idolatry, idolaters, blasphemy and blasphemers, and not in a half-hearted and vague manner. What you are doing is akin to a man who stands around his mother while she is being beaten, abused, mocked, and cursed and says nothing of what is being done to her nor of the criminals that are assaulting her. Instead, you talk about how much you love your mother in glowing terms, and even say many good things about your mother, but do nothing to come to her aid when crimes are being committed against her in front of your very eyes and public view of everyone. Is that true love? That is either the act of a coward, a man devoid of character, or a man who is devoid of the faith, and places the offender in mortal sin, outside the Church, and in damnation for sins of omission, for not professing the faith when he must.

Pope Leo XIII, *Sapientiae Christianae*: "14. ...But, when necessity compels... "Each one is under obligation to show forth his faith, either to instruct and encourage others of the faithful, or to repel the attacks of unbelievers." To recoil before an enemy, or to keep silence when from all sides such clamors are raised against truth, is the part of a man either devoid of character or who entertains doubt as to the truth of what he professes to believe. In both cases such mode of behaving is base and is insulting to God, and both are incompatible with the salvation of mankind.

Gerry, another sin of omission you commit by remaining silent is that you lure people into the notoriously and manifestly non-Catholic Vatican II Church, and thus contribute to their damnation. You cannot continue running around making speeches and avoiding topics of the faith that must be preached from the roof-tops, for that will only hold you fast in your guilt and make you guiltier by way of sins of omission and association. When you called me when I was living in Chimayo, New Mexico, God allowed me to over hear a telephone conversation you had on another line while I was on hold on your other line. You had told a person who was inviting you to speak, "You tell me what you want me to talk about, I am here to please you." Now Gerry, you may deny this, or probably do not even remember it, but I never forgot it. God had allowed me to hear that as confirmation of what I already accused you of before. You speak primarily to please people.

Gerry, you came very close to embracing the truth that John Paul II is an apostate antipope about one year before our baptism debate in 1996. During that year, when it was whispered about that you held the sedevacantist position, you were rarely invited to speak and your financial situation was deteriorating. God was testing you, to see if you were willing to embrace a more frugal and poverty like lifestyle, and to break any pride and vanity that endangers public speakers who become addicted to applauses and accolades of men, thus feeding pride and vanity. In both these areas you failed your test and choose money and fame over the eternal truths of God. Shortly after our debate, you signed up as a Professor at a Vatican II Church seminary, The Fraternity of St. Peter. You threw your lot in with the apostates, heretics, idolaters, and blasphemers whose crimes you were well aware of.

Gerry, do you remember our conversion after my Second Coming speech in Berlin, New Jersey, in 1996, the same weekend we debated on the Baptism Controversy? I will explain and paraphrase our conversation. You where selling a book that contained heresy that I brought to your attention, and I said you are already infected because of your association with the apostates and heretics, whom you were not condemning. I told you that Dr. William Marra, who was your close friend that invited you speak on his radio show, was an implicit faith heretic of the worse stripe. Dr. Marra taught that atheists could be anonymous Christians and thus be saved. You said, "O course I do not believe that." And I said, "Then why are you doing a radio show with him? You should be condemning him and separate yourself from him." You asked me, "Brother Richard, tell me what you think will happen to me and do not hold back?" I said, "Gerry, God has given you great gifts that you can either use for a great good or can be a source of great evil. People look up to you, and you have a great responsibility. If you choose to remain with the apostates and heretics, you will be very popular and famous, you will get to speak in many places, but your fame and glory will be short lived, and in the end you will burn in the Temple with the apostates and heretics when God destroys them."

St. John Chrysostom: "What an evil! Covering up the rottenness of another! For the Lord says that you make yourself a sharer of the retribution that will come to them, and rightly too!"

May the Most Precious Blood of Jesus, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, grant you all the graces and aid you need to see the truth and act upon it by repenting, converting, and abjuring from your association with the non-Catholic Vatican II Church and its heretical and apostate teachings.

Soli Deo Gloria

Richard Joseph Michael Ibranyi

"To Jesus through Mary" Visit the St. John the Baptist Website [3/15/2005 www.JohnTheBaptist.us]

PS: Gerry, those who teach Natural Family Planning is moral, teach heresy. It is a denial of an infallible dogma of morals. For instance, it is one thing to commit the sin of adultery, and it is quite another to teach adultery is not a sin. If a pope ever taught adultery is no longer a sin, then he is a heretic for denying an infallible dogma of morals. Infallibility encompasses both faith and morals. It is one thing to commit the sin of contraception, and it is another thing to teach contraception is moral.

Testimonies of Men From Gerry's Website

Here are the "testimonies of men"—apostate and heretical men at that, of which Bernard Law is one—who praise Gerry as found on his website. You can either read it below or click on this address to view it from his website http://www.gerrymatatics.org/catpage6.html:

> Gerry Matatics tapes – Winter/Spring 2001 catalog – page 6 About Gerry Matatics

Gerald Christian Matatics is known throughout the English-speaking world as one of the most exciting and intellectually gifted defenders of the Catholic Faith in our time. Formerly an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and a vigorous opponent of Catholicism, he spent three years researching and attempting to refute the Catholic Faith to prevent friend and former seminary classmate Scott Hahn from embracing it. Finally convinced by his studies that Catholicism is the original and authentic form of Christianity, Gerry, together with his wife and children, entered the Catholic Church in 1986. He was the first PCA minister ever to become Roman Catholic; several have since followed him.

Gerry is Founder and President of Biblical Foundations International, a ministry that demonstrates to Catholics and non-Catholics alike the scriptural case for Catholicism. He has held hundreds of seminars, addressed huge audiences of several thousands at major conferences, and publicly debated well-known critics of Catholicism throughout North America, Great Britain, Europe, Australia and New Zealand. He has spoken in countless Catholic and Protestant churches and seminaries, colleges and universities (including Oxford University, Boston College, Harvard, Princeton, and Yale). He has offered retreats and training sessions to priests and religious such as Mother Angelica's Missionaries of the Eternal Word. In addition to being a frequent guest on Protestant, Catholic, and secular radio and television worldwide (such as *Mother Angelica Live!*, Fr. Kenneth Baker's *Review of the News*, and other shows on EWTN and WEWN shortwave radio), he served for a number of years as a co-host with the late Dr. William Marra of the nation-wide weekly radio program *Where Catholics Meet*.

Gerry's work has brought him into contact with entertainment superstars such as Mel Gibson, Gloria Estefan, Keanu Reeves, and Rush Limbaugh, royalty such as King Kigeli V of Rwanda and Prince Henri de Bourbon-Parme of France, and noted authors such as Michael Davies and the late Malachi Martin. His work has been praised and endorsed by many bishops and cardinals such as Bishop Myers of Peoria, Cardinal Law of Boston, and the late Cardinal O'Connor of New York, who wrote, "You have not only accepted the gift of faith but now bring it to others in a unique way. Yours is a rare gift and your willingness to give it freely to the service of the Church is both a challenge and inspiration to us all."

Mr. Matatics graduated with distinction as a scholarship student from the prestigious preparatory school Phillips Exeter Academy. At the University of New Hampshire he designed a major in Classical, New Testament, and Patristic Greek and, taking double the normal course load, earned his B.A. in two years instead of four (the only undergraduate ever to do so), graduating Phi Beta Kappa and *magna cum laude.* He received a Master of Divinity from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, at the time he entered the Church was ABD (all but dissertation) for a Ph.D. in Biblical Interpretation from Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, the top-ranked conservative Presbyterian seminary in the world, and has taken graduate courses in Sacred Scripture at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Prof. Matatics has taught on the faculties of Westminster Theological Seminary, St. Joseph's University, the University of San Diego, the Notre Dame Pontifical Catechetical Institute, Aquinas College, and Christendom College, and, most recently, served for three years as Professor of Sacred Scripture and Apologetics at Our Lady of Guadalupe International Seminary of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter in Scranton, Pennsylvania. He is a member of the National Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, the Society of Biblical Literature, the Catholic Biblical Association of America, and the Fellowship of Catholic Scholars.

Gerry and his wife Leslie homeschool their eight children.

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A FEW TESTIMONIALS REGARDING GERRY

"It is most regrettable that Catholics are so often unable to articulate the Biblical basis of their Faith. To my mind, no one demonstrates the Scriptural support for Catholic teaching with more brilliance, zeal, or apt humor than my good friend Gerry Matatics. Each of his lectures, each of his tapes, is an invaluable occasion of grace that I would wish every single Catholic on the face of the earth might benefit from. I cannot recommend him strongly enough."

Michael Davies, President, Una Voce International Internationally respected scholar, lecturer, and writer

"Because of his unique blend of scriptural expertise, uncompromising fidelity to the perennial Catholic magisterium, and dynamic manner of presentation, Gerry Matatics stands alone filling a great void in contemporary Catholic apologetics."

John Vennari, editor, Catholic Family News

"In all my contacts in the Roman Catholic world over the past 50 years, I count Gerry as the most gifted, best educated Scripture scholar in the Church."

The late **Dr. William Marra** Emeritus Professor of Philosophy, Fordham University Founder, The Roman Forum; host, *Where Catholics Meet*

"Gerry is one of the few solidly orthodox Scripture scholars we have left in the Church today. His zeal, talents, scholarship, and speaking ability are something we can't afford to do without. His voice needs to be heard widely."

Fr. Brian Harrison, O.S., S.T.D. Author, lecturer, theologian

"Gerry, the precision of your thought, the facility with which you find words to express it, and your tirelessness, clearly show that Catholic orthodoxy has found in you not merely a new champion, but one of its most valuable."

Gary Potter, veteran Catholic journalist and author

"You have not only accepted the gift of faith but now bring it to others in a unique way. Yours is a rare gift, Gerry, and your willingness to give it freely to the service of the Church is both a challenge and inspiration to us all. Thanks for all that you do for so many."

John Cardinal O'Connor, late archbishop of New York

Update: December 17, 2002

For shirking his duty to profess the Catholic faith when the situation demands it, Gerry has implicitly denied the faith and is an apostate, heretic, idolater on this count alone. He shares in the sins of the crimes and criminals he does not publicly condemn. He is also a heretic for attending Mass with notorious heretics and praying in communion with them.

To this date I have not received a response from Gerry. Gerry, until you publicly post on your website for all to see, the crimes of the Vatican II Church and apostate, Antipope John Paul II and denounce him for what he is—an apostate, idolater, blasphemer, and heretic—there is no point in conversing or debating. If you do that, then I will proceed to the teachings that a notorious heretic cannot hold an office in the Church, be he a bishop or a pope. Be assured, you are on the broad road to hell and will certainly burn in the Temple with the apostates and heretics if you do not repent, convert, and abjure. There are no accolades or applauses in hell, Gerry.

Gerry Has Become Less of an Enemy to God (11/05)

Date posted on my St. John the Baptist Website: 11/10/2005

Gerry now holds the sedevacantist position and believes in the absolute necessity of baptism by water for salvation.

Gerry's email letter to the Dimonds (7/21/2005)

From: Gerry MataticsTo: The DimondsSource: The Dimonds' and Robert Sungenis' heretical websites.

Dear Brothers Peter and Michael:

I am happy to supply you, as you requested in your e-mail of July 26, which I have now just read (I'm very behind with my e-mails, I'm sorry), with a statement of my convictions which you can pass on to your readers. Here it is:

1. I, Gerry Matatics, believe, and publicly teach, that **the Catholic Church has always infallibly taught** that the Catholic Faith is the one true Faith and that the Catholic Church is the one true Church, outside of which Church and Faith there is no salvation.

(References:)

2. I believe, and publicly teach, that **the Catholic Church has always infallibly taught** that any Christian, whatever his rank, who stubbornly denies or doubts even one single dogma of the Catholic Faith (such as, for example, the abovementioned dogma, "No salvation outside the Church") is thereby guilty of the mortal sin and canonical crime of heresy, and automatically excommunicates himself from the Church, thus abandoning the only path to salvation.

(References:)

3. I believe, and publicly teach, that **the Catholic Church has always infallibly taught** that the sacrament of baptism is necessary for salvation, since that sacrament alone makes one a member of that Church outside of which there is no salvation, liberal and wishful thinking and statements by fallible theologians and fallible catechisms to the contrary notwithstanding.

(References:)

4. I believe, and publicly teach, that **the Catholic Church has always infallibly taught** that because heretics are not members of the Catholic Church, they cannot validly hold office in the Church, according to divine law, and that, should they *seem* to hold such offices, the believing Catholic must conclude that their election to and possession of such offices is null and void. This would include, not only the manifest heretics John XXIII, Paul VI, John Paul I, and John Paul II, but also the manifest heretic and present illicit and invalid occupant of the See of Peter, Benedict XVI, who has the further handicap (unlike his immediate four predecessors) of not even having been validly consecrated a bishop, which, in addition to all other considerations, makes it impossible for him to therefore function as Bishop of Rome.

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5. In humiliation and shame I publicly ask Almighty God, and all persons who read these words, to forgive me for taking so long to work through all these issues and come to these conclusions. I exhort all those who profess to be Catholics but who would seek to differ from the abovementioned convictions to eschew all passion and prejudice, to resist all intellectual dishonesty and obscurantism, and to humbly, prayerfully, and courageously contemplate, and then wholeheartedly submit to, the infallible teaching of the Church on all these matters. If, after so doing, any should still disagree with me and feel that I am wrong in making the above affirmations, I exhort them not to engage in *ad hominem* attacks or campaigns of calumniation, but to honestly engage me in debate (written or oral, public or private, either with themselves or with some "champion" of their choosing) on these vital issues, upon which our salvation depends.

Our Lady of LaSalette, pray for us!

St. Robert Bellarmine, pray for us!

All you sainted Pontiffs, pray for us!

All you Fathers and Doctors of the Church, pray for us!

All you holy saints and angels, especially our patron saints and guardian angels, pray for us!

In the one true God -- Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

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RJMI's email to Gerry (11/3/2005)

November 3, 2005 Within the Octave of All Saints' Day

Dear Gerry,

Less of an enemy but still an enemy

I write this letter as a spiritual act of mercy toward you. In spite of all your sins, I do love you. As you know, Jesus said we must love our enemies (Mt. 5:44). From what I have heard, you are becoming less of an enemy to God. I am so very glad to hear that you have taken a big step forward by condemning the Second Vatican Council as a heretical non-Catholic council and by denouncing as notorious heretics and non-popes John XXIII, Paul VI, John Paul I, John Paul II, and Benedict XVI.

You must specifically abjure from the Great Apostasy

Gerry, although you have become less of an enemy to God, you are nevertheless still an enemy until you specifically abjure from the Great Apostasy, which means you must hold, profess, and live by the full deposit of the Catholic faith. That means you must specifically and in writing reject and condemn *all* the prevalent heresies and other errors of the Great Apostasy. The Catholic Church infallibly teaches that baptized non-Catholics must abjure to enter the Catholic Church and fallen-away Catholics must take a specific abjuration. (See my book *Quick Reference Manual*: Abjuration.) (See also my attached standard "Inquiry Letter.")

You must not be in religious communion with non-Catholics

You must not be in any kind of religious communion with non-Catholics, which includes heretics and schismatics (both those who are presumed to be as such and those whose guilt is certain). That means you cannot pray in communion with them; therefore, you cannot attend Masses offered by priests that are heretics or pray in communion with their heretical flocks. (See my book *Quick Reference Manual*: Against Attending Mass at Non-Catholic Churches.)

Not being in religious communion with non-Catholics also means that you cannot receive the sacraments from non-Catholic priests under any circumstances. (See my book *Faith Before the Mass:* Administration of the Sacraments by Excommunicated Priests.)

For an in-depth presentation on these topics, see my book Faith Before the Mass.

Because of the above two points and others, you must denounce the Dimonds as heretics

The Dimonds deny the infallible Church law that fallen-away Catholics must abjure their errors in order to enter the Catholic Church. The Dimonds also deny the Catholic Church's law that requires fallen-away Catholics to specifically abjure their errors and the errors of the sect they adhered to.

The Dimonds deny the Catholic Church's infallible teaching that Catholics are forbidden to knowingly pray in communion with heretics, which makes the Dimonds heretics and also guilty of other mortal sins. The Dimonds knowingly attend Mass at a meetinghouse of heretics (a non-Catholic church) and teach others that they can do the same. The Dimonds also deny the Salvation Dogma. They believe that certain persons with the use of reason who are self-professed Protestants and who have never heard of the Catholic Church and Her dogmas are actually Catholic and thus inside the Catholic Church and thus can be in the way of salvation. (See my book *The Dimonds Deny the Salvation Dogma*.)

For the crimes of the Dimonds, see my book *RJMI vs. the Dimonds; Includes Points 31 and 32.* This book will guide you through my other denunciations of the Dimonds.

Justified ad hominem attacks

Gerry, you need to clarify what you mean when you speak of *ad hominem* (personal) attacks. All *ad hominem* attacks are not sinful. Some are justified and necessary. Sin does not exist by itself. Sin is attached to the person who commits it. Hence a Catholic is obliged to personally attack the sinner by denouncing him by name as a sinner. The Catholic obligation to profess the faith and the spiritual act of mercy of admonishing sinners are both infallible teachings of the Catholic Church:

1917 Code of Canon Law: "1325§1 Obligation to Profess the Faith - The faithful are bound to profess their faith openly whenever under the circumstances silence, evasion, or their manner of acting would otherwise implicitly amount to a denial of the faith, or would involve contempt of religion, an offense to God, or scandal to the neighbor."

Spiritual Act of Mercy: Admonish sinners.

A Catholic is obliged to denounce sinners when the situation demands it, or he shares in their guilt. What follows are the nine ways in which one shares in the guilt of another's sin:

Catechism **Question:** In how many ways may we either cause or share in the guilt of another's sin? **Answer:** We may either cause or share the guilt of another's sin in nine ways: 1. By counsel, 2. By command, 3. By consent, 4. By provocation, 5. By praise or flattery, 6. By concealment, 7. By being a partner in the sin, 8. By silence, 9. By defending the ill done.

Hence, a Catholic's obligation to personally denounce sinners is a just and necessary *ad hominem* attack. This avenges God's name, warns others, and helps the very sinner himself by making him aware of his sin. (See my book *"Quick Reference Manual:* Catholics Must Profess the Faith, Judge, and Denounce" and my book *On Judging*.)

Also, it is heresy to teach that dogmas are open to debate. For instance, a heretic must be denounced as a heretic. A heretic cannot justly tell a Catholic that the Catholic has no right to denounce him as a heretic and that the Catholic must thus refrain from such an *ad hominem* attack and only debate the issue. I am sure that you would agree with this as you have denounced as apostates and heretics the antipopes of the Vatican II Church. These facts are not open to debate. Your denunciation is a just and necessary *ad hominem* attack against these apostate monsters.

The necessity of baptism by water is not an infallible dogma

While I am glad that you now believe as I do that the sacrament of baptism in which water must be used is necessary for salvation, I am not glad that you believe this has been

infallibly taught. This will undermine the defense of your position and thus your credibility with good-willed men if you do not honestly address all the evidence. My position is the only one you can hold after honestly addressing all the evidence from both sides; that is, neither the absolute necessity of baptism by water nor the possibility of baptism of desire and blood for catechumens are infallible dogmas. A future pope is needed to settle this dispute by making one of the positions either an infallible dogma (and thus part of the solemn magisterium) or a doctrine that belongs to the ordinary magisterium. (See my book *The Baptism Controversy*, especially the chapter "Is Baptism of Desire and Blood, Heresy?")

Also, do you hold the St. Benedict Center's indefensible position that the desire to be baptised can remit sins and thus sanctify a soul? This will also undermine the defense of the absolute necessity of baptism by water for salvation. My position is the only one that defends the absolute necessity of baptism by water as a necessity for salvation; that is, one cannot be sanctified, and thus in the way of salvation, until he is baptized by water. (See my book *The Baptism Controversy:* RJMI vs. St. Benedict Center on Baptism.)

The New Rites

I do not agree with your opinion that the New Rites are invalid. My opinion is that they are valid. (See my book *Validity of Paul VI's Diminished Rites*.)

Some other major obstacles

Gerry, even though it has been reported that you condemn the Second Vatican Council as a heretical non-Catholic council and that you denounce as notorious heretics and nonpopes John XXIII, John Paul I, Paul VI, John Paul II, and Benedict XVI, you have not yet said this on your website. One of my concerns is that you will back away from these truths, as you have before, because of human respect or fear of persecution or fear of financial hardship.

The love of men over the love of God

"By respect of person he will destroy himself." (Eclcus. 20:24) Gerry, if you want to be saved, one of the things you must do is rid yourself of the desire for human acceptance of any kind. You must hope for the best regarding people, but always expect the worst. You must never ultimately depend on people for anything: "It is good to trust in the Lord, rather than to trust in princes." (Ps. 117:9) "Blessed is the man whose trust is in the name of the Lord; and who hath not had regard to vanities, and lying follies." (Ps. 39:5) "For, said he, they trust in their weapons, and in their boldness: but we [good Catholics] trust in the Almighty Lord, who at a beck can utterly destroy both them that come against us, and the whole world." (2 Mac. 8:18) The Word of God says that at any given time in history most men are evil, and at times so evil that there is barely one faithful man left upon the face of the earth:

"They are all gone aside, they are become unprofitable together: there is none that doth good, no not one." (Ps. 13:3) "The holy man is perished out of the earth, and there is none upright among men." (Micheas 7:2) "There is none that calleth upon justice." (Isa. 59: 3) "There is now no saint: truths are decayed from among the children of men. They have spoken vain things, every one to

his neighbour: with deceitful lips, and with a double heart have they spoken." (Ps. 11:2-3) "I looked for the succour of men, and there was none." (Ecclcus. 51:10)

We are living in such dire days as these, the latter days of the Great Apostasy, of which Jesus said, "*The Son of man, when he cometh, shall he find, think you, faith on earth?*" (Lk. 18:8) So especially in these latter days of the Great Apostasy, you must trust no man.

Gerry, you must rid yourself of the desire for any kind of applause and compliments. Seek only to please God and to be complimented by Him. "*How can you believe, who receive glory one from another: and the glory which is from God alone, you do not seek?*" (Jn. 5:44) I know you have made great progress in this regard because you have removed from your website most of the vainglorious testimonies from men glorifying you and your talents. However, you must be aware that the same sin is committed if you place any kind of human respect over God. Hence, you must not even seek to please the few men (or even just one man) that may be willing to listen to you if to please these few men means placing them over God and His eternal, saving truths.

For instance, there are only few people that I know of who have abjured from the Great Apostasy and thus are Catholic. We call ourselves Mary's Little Remnant. Yet I must not even seek to hold onto their companionship and financial support if they fall away from the faith or become bad Catholics. I must not place them or their donations over God. Indeed, I have not done this and that is why our numbers are always fluctuating. By God's grace and aid and through the Blessed Virgin Mary, I am very vigilant in weeding out heretics and bad Catholics that have entered in among us Catholics. The heretics are denounced as heretics and thus avoided: "Now I beseech you, brethren, to mark them who make dissensions and offences contrary to the doctrine which you have learned and avoid them." (Rom. 16:17) And the bad Catholics (obstinate mortal sinners) are denounced as mortal sinners and thus avoided until they repent and amend their lives: "But now I have written to you, not to keep company, if any man that is named a brother be a fornicator or covetous or a server of idols or a railer or a drunkard or an extortioner: with such a one, not so much as to eat." (1Cor. 5:11) This is the job that all Catholics are obliged to do if they want to be saved. Catholics are not just obliged to profess the faith, but to live by it also. That means Catholics must demand that others obey all of God's commandments and admonish and denounce men who do not. The Catholic faith is not just something that is spoken about in an academic environment. The Catholic faith must be professed and lived in everyday life, not only in the big things we do but also in the small things we do.

Inordinate activity

Gerry, as the saying goes, take some time to smell the roses. You have let people and not God rule your life. You are running around too much, and thus you do not have time to hear God: *"He that is less in action, shall receive wisdom."* (Eclcus. 38:25) Pope Pius X teaches that inordinate activity is one of the traits of the modernists:

Pope Pius X, Pacendi Dominici Gregis, 1907: "3. ... They lead a life of the greatest activity, of assiduous and ardent application to every branch of learning, and that they possess, as a rule, a reputation for irreproachable morality."

No spirit of poverty

Gerry, if you want to be saved, you must rid yourself of the desire to live a lifestyle that accommodates a standard of living that compromises your faith. Your true heart must always be to live in extreme poverty, even if God does not call you to live in extreme poverty. This does not mean that if you had to live in extreme poverty that you would be destitute. This is far from the truth. If you are a good Catholic, poverty is true freedom. In your poverty, God would see that you get everything you need to survive very well and to propagate the faith. You and your family will have more than you need, and you will have true peace and true joy that surpasses your current understanding. I am living proof of this. If you visited us Catholics in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, you would see what I mean. After all, Gerry, Jesus Christ was born and lived in poverty during His whole life. St. Francis always preached the truth that Lady Poverty will set you free. You can only be a good Catholic if you are always prepared to give up everything and flee to the mountains for the sake of the truth. In fact, good Catholics desire this life above all else, even if they must remain in the world, working among men. What made popes and other men saints is their willingness to lose all temporal comforts for the sake of the truth.

For example, I live in poverty, in a humble shack, which I love so much because it has freed me from dependence on other men and offers many opportunities for penance. Yet if I love this poor shack too much and place my love of it over my love of God so that I deny the faith in order to keep my shack, then this will place me on the road to hell. I would be just as evil as a rich man who does not want to give up his mansion if he must in order to save his soul. If I seek to please one man over pleasing God, then that is the mortal sin of placing human respect over the respect of God (placing the creature over the Creator (Rom. 1:25)); and that will place me on the road to hell. I would be just as evil as a popular man who seeks to please his many followers rather than to please God.

"Presents and gifts blind the eyes of judges, and make them dumb in the mouth, so that they cannot correct." (Eclcus. 20:31) Gerry, stop begging for donations in the way you do. It is obsessive and out of proportion. It is similar to what many Protestant shysters do. It is sickening to anyone of good will. This is a mortal sin and a sure sign that you place temporal things over spiritual things, the things of God. Serve God faithfully and all the things you need will be added on to you without the need of obsessive, incessant, and heathenistic seeking and begging for money:

"Be not solicitous therefore, saying: What shall we eat: or what shall we drink, or wherewith shall we be clothed? For after all these things do the heathens seek. For your Father knoweth that you have need of all these things. Seek ye therefore first the kingdom of God, and his justice, and all these things shall be added unto you." (Mt. 6:31-33)

The numbers game

Gerry, I tell you these things because your lifestyle and number of followers will drop dramatically; and I do not want this to shock you. And, most importantly, God does not want you to even try to hold on to the few remaining who are willing to listen to you if they are not willing to profess and live by the full deposit of the Catholic faith. Gerry, you must always be prepared to accept the possibility that you may be the only Catholic in the world if all those that you know of are not Catholic. God demands this total detachment from the world, the flesh, and the devil, if Catholics want to be saved.

There is no half way to faithfully serve the true God. We must give God all we have, even our very life itself, or it is as if we have given Him nothing. God is crucifying you to the world, the flesh, and the devil; and this crucifixion will not be completed unless you are completely dead to these things. Gerry, please let God complete the crucifixion that He has started in your life. Let Him kill you to the world, the flesh, and the devil. If you stop short on your way to Calvary, then you will not be crucified. All would be for naught! When I thought that I had been crucified by God (meaning totally dead to the world), God told me otherwise. He said, "You are not yet crucified, dead to the world as you imagine. Your pinky is still moving, and I want it down. Only then can I begin to build you up."

Gerry, if you take heed to my admonishments, then by God's grace and aid you will become a good Catholic; and God will surround you with God-fearing men (good Catholics) whom you can trust and who will help you to save your soul.

We few Catholics, Mary's Little Remnant, are praying and sacrificing for your total repentance and conversion.

May the Infant Jesus, through His holy Mother Mary, grant you all the graces and aid you need to repent, convert, and abjure so that you may enter the Catholic Church and have a hope to save your immortal soul.

Richard Joseph Michael Ibranyi To Jesus through Mary Soli Deo Gloria

Litany of Humility

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart, hear me. From the desire of being esteemed, deliver me Jesus. From the desire of being loved, From the desire of being extolled, From the desire of being honored, From the desire of being praised, From the desire of being preferred to others, From the desire of being consulted, From the desire of being approved, From the fear of being humiliated, From the fear of being despised, From the fear of suffering rebukes, From the fear of being calumniated, From the fear of being forgotten, From the fear of being ridiculed, From the fear of being wronged, From the fear of being suspected, That others may be loved more than I, Jesus grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be esteemed more than I, That in the opinion of the world, others may increase, and I may decrease, That others may be chosen and I set aside, That others may be praised and I unnoticed, That others may be preferred to me in everything, That others become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should.

(His Eminence Cardinal Merry del Val was accustomed to recite this Litany after the celebration of the Holy Mass.)

Gerry's email to RJMI (11/30/05)

Dear Richard:

Thank you for your e-mail of November 3. I am incredibly far behind in opening, reading, and responding to my e-mail. I have finally opened yours, for instance, but have not read all of it. But I did not want to let any more time pass before acknowledging your e-mail, lest you think I had not received it, or was snubbing or ignoring you, or was not open to reading your e-mail with a docile mind and heart.

Just so you know, as a family we have been praying the Litany of Humility for quite a long time now as part of our evening prayers. And we do not attend Mass anywhere, but pray it together as a family from our St. Andrew Missals each Sunday and holy day of obligation. We daily read the Scriptures, pray the rosary, and recite various other prayers and litanies, and read about the saint(s) of the day from Butler's Lives of the Saints, read papal encyclicals or read from Denzinger, etc.

I will send you a reply once I have been able to finish reading, and have had time to digest, your letter.

Sincerely in the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts,

Gerry Matatics