



Standing for Faith, Family & Freedom

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Feast day of Sts. Francisco and Jacinta Marto



What is our goal in life? When everything is said and done, what is the ultimate goal?

It should be joyful “union with God in Heaven.” That is the goal, the prize, the race that is run to win that every other action in our lives should lead to. Sometimes we forget that keeping busy with our families and friends, our work, our challenges, our fears, whatever gets us busy could actually lead away from that goal. I find myself many times not being fully engaged with my spouse, my children, my friends because I allow the work, the challenges and the fears to get in the way. Maybe you do too. Not being fully engaged could be the work of the evil one and a sign of spiritual warfare. It could also be laziness on my part. It is probably a bit of both. You might say, “Well, just acknowledge God and He’ll take care of everything.” Do you know who else acknowledges God? *The evil one acknowledges God.* Yet we hear from Scripture, the Church and various messengers in our times that things are not going to turn out well for him. I believe I acknowledge God, but what makes me think it will turn out better for me?

How is someone to acknowledge God? It’s a great question to meditate on. I have during prayer and adoration. God is best acknowledged with a humble servant’s love. Pride was the evil one’s downfall. A humble servant, like a spouse or friend deferring their needs or desires to meet the needs or desires of the other.

When writing the above, I first had typed “submitting” rather than “deferring”. I changed it, all because I feared coming across as sexist. A check of a thesaurus revealed I could use defer for submit, so I did ... it also suggested acknowledge, in fact it was the first term suggested. I found that very interesting. So, to acknowledge God means to defer or submit to Him. Maybe a subtle way God was confirming what was on my heart.

I do not have all the answers. Somedays I even wonder if I have the right questions. But I am learning that to acknowledge God I need to do so with a humble heart and good will for others.

It is time, long past time, to acknowledge God and take the next right step. We are all called to love, honor and serve God and then to love and serve our family...the family of God NOT JUST our immediate family members (although our first duty lies with our immediate family that we are charged by God to nurture and protect).

*“So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. Indeed someone may say, “You have faith and I have works.” Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.” James 2:17-18*

What are our works? To read Charlie Johnston’s blog A Sign of Hope (which is very thought provoking with concrete action), Mark Mallett’s Countdown to the Kingdom (again very thought provoking), or a myriad of other messages or even the ACTION PACS newsletter and prepare our families?

We need to dig in and help build each other up, including our bishops and priests along with government representatives. Some people believe building someone up means endorsing what they say or do. However, building someone up also means tearing down the falsehoods they may proclaim and correcting them. Building someone up MUST always be done in a spirit of charity, a suffering and sacrificial love.

Most of us are tired of the cold by this time of year. After viewing the video with Fr. Billy Kosco, posted below, **I am tired of the snow.** I have seen two priests get emotional to the point of tears on the alter during a homily in my lifetime...he is the second. Don’t scurry on your way without viewing the video of his homily.

Previous ACTION PACS Newsletters:

<https://corac.co/community/region-7/action-pacs-newsletters/#post-499>

Information about locations, dates, and times for CORAC’s Faith, Family, and Freedom Tour 2021 with Charlie are posted here: [Meetings - Corps of Renewal And Charity](#) The first meeting in Region 7 is nailed down. You must register to attend the meeting. Details for other meetings within Region 7 are in the process of being pounded out.



[PETITION: Oppose taxpayer-funded abortion #SaveHyde | LifePetitions](#)

The **Hyde Amendment** prohibits the use of most federal funds for abortions, except in some limited circumstances. The Biden Administration is working feverishly to repeal this Amendment.

[Mask-less Mass \(A return to community\). - Petitions.net](#)

A local Des Moines diocese petition requesting Bishop Joensen suspend his mask mandate to provide one Mass on the weekend at all parishes for attendance by none-mask wearers, enabling them to see their brothers and sisters faces as we worship God at Mass.

Link in corac.co to develop other petitions.

<https://corac.co/community/region-7/call-to-action-databases/#post-683>

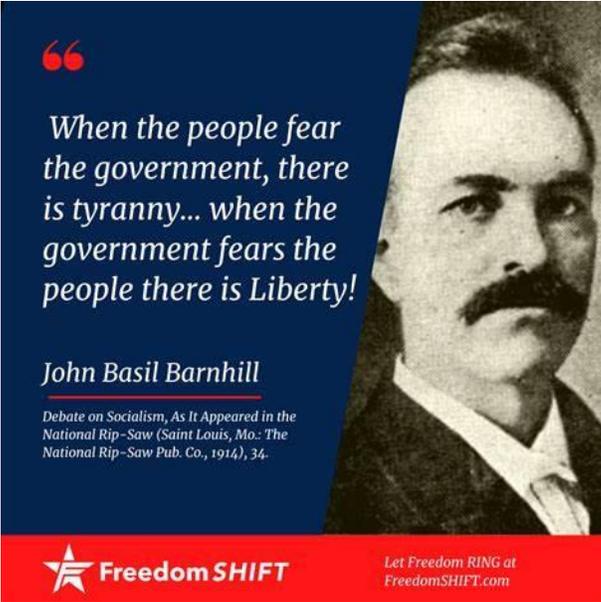
[USPS Embargo Extended: We Need Your Help \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

The United States Postal Service has placed an extended embargo on the shipment of live animals via air transport. McMurray Hatchery of Webster City, Iowa reached out to one of Region 7's members asking if we could help with a petition. Please email or call your Representative and Senators asking them to immediately end the embargo that places small businesses in jeopardy.

[H.R.127 - 117th Congress \(2021-2022\): Sabika Sheikh Firearm Licensing and Registration Act](#)

HR 127 establishes a federal firearms registration system that will be **accessible by federal, state, and local governments, including the military – even the GENERAL PUBLIC!** The system will track the make, model, and serial number of all firearms, their owners, the dates they were acquired, **and where they are being stored.**

Most likely this bill will not pass but as of late, down is up, left is right, out is in and boy is girl. Between H.R. 5717 and H.R. 127, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment will definitely be infringed upon (which is forbidden in the amendment's wording).



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*When the people fear the government, there is tyranny... when the government fears the people there is Liberty!*

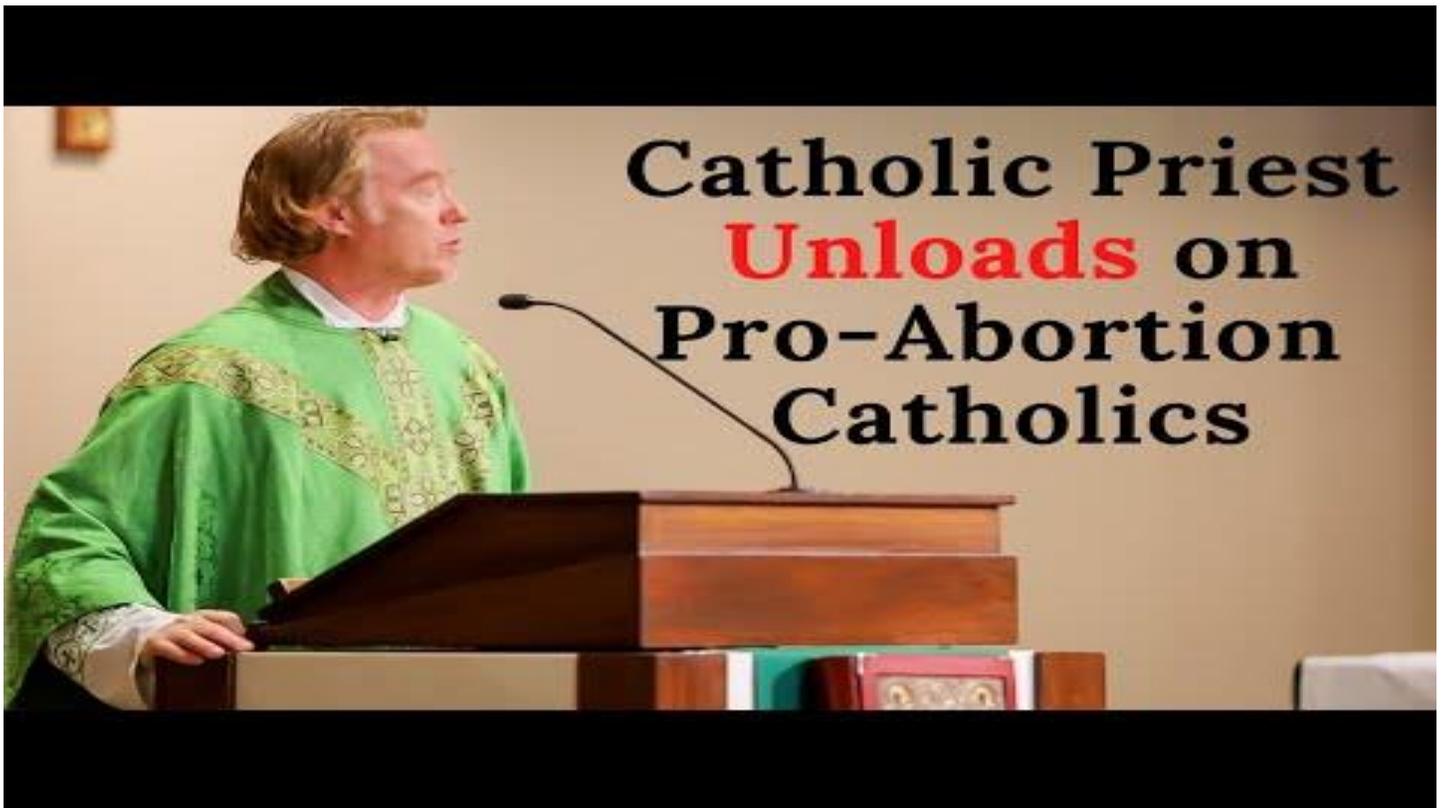
*John Basil Barnhill*

Debate on Socialism, As It Appeared in the National Rip-Saw (Saint Louis, Mo.: The National Rip-Saw Pub. Co., 1914), 34.

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**DON'T MISS THIS!**



I was not sure where to place this information. It could have easily been placed under the Faith, Family and Freedom section or even the Alternative Healthcare section. I believe it is best to place this next article here, under Prayer. You will understand why once you check out the post in the Community Forum.

<https://corac.co/community/region-7/alternative-healthcare-wellness/paged/3/#post-699>

Pray the rosary, daily.

Pray for those we find it difficult to forgive.

Pray for our seminarians, religious, deacons, priests and bishops that they become voices of truth.

Pray to follow God's Will and all He has in store for you.

Jesus, I trust in You.

St. Joseph, terror of demons, pray for us.

Sts. Francisco and Jacinta, pray for us. (Two of the three seers at Fatima)



**IF YOU ARE STILL CONSIDERING GETTING THE COVID VACCINATION, YOU BEST CLICK ON THE LINK FOR INFORMATION FROM VACCINE EXPERT, DR. SHERRI TENPENNY.**

<https://corac.co/community/region-7/alternative-healthcare-wellness/paged/3/#post-697>

I and my family have absolutely no intention of getting the COVID vaccination. You should ask, “why would a trained healthcare professional decline the COVID vaccination?” Watch the video in the link. **IT IS THAT IMPORTANT!**

[UK Government releases shocking report on COVID vaccine side effects | Principia Scientific Intl. \(principia-scientific.com\)](https://www.principia-scientific.com/uk-government-releases-shocking-report-on-covid-vaccine-side-effects/)



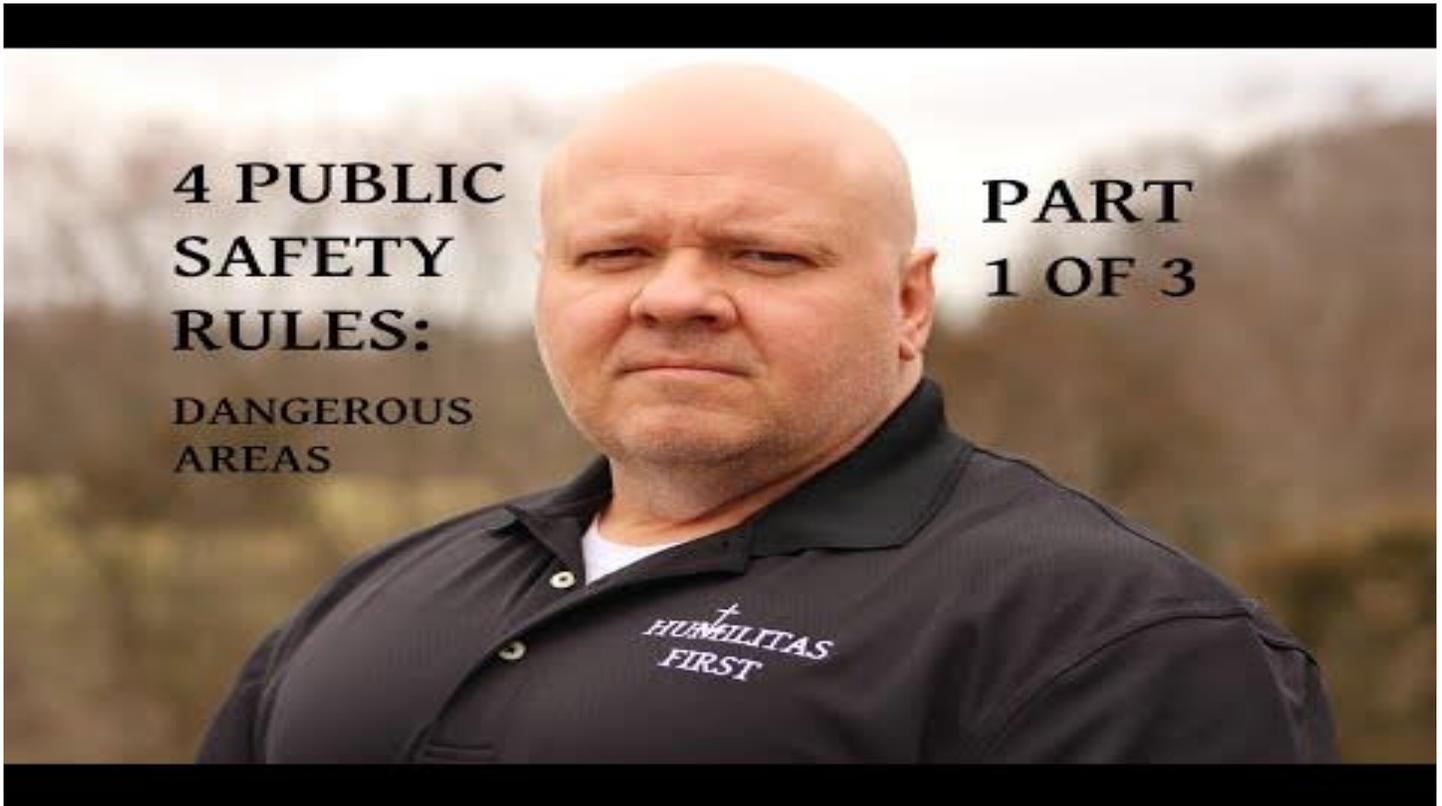
### ***Communications***

Ultra-basic communications (and probably the most important) involve connecting with others in your communities.

[Basic Communications - Corps of Renewal And Charity \(corac.co\)](https://corac.co/basic-communications/)

### ***Safety***

[4 Public Safety Rules - Dangerous Areas Part 1 of 3 - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)



with Todd Heaton of Humilitas First



<https://corac.co/community/region-7/sustainability/#post-616>

“Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.” Proverbs 27:17

I request honest and open feedback on the ACTION PACS Newsletters. I want to keep us informed and united when “standing for faith, family, and freedom.” I also want to challenge you and myself.

**Pray as though everything depended on you,  
trust as though everything depended on God.  
St. Ignatius of Loyola**

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