Leo XIII - a Vision of a Looming Crisis...

On October 13, 1884 Leo XIII had just completed a celebration of Mass in one of the Vatican's private chapels. Standing at the foot of the altar, he suddenly turned ashen and collapsed to the floor, apparently the victim of a stroke or heart attack. However, neither malady was the cause of his collapse. For he had just been given a vision of the future of the Church he loved so much. After a period of time spent in what seemed like a coma and showing no sign of life, he revived and remarked to those around him, "Oh, what a horrible picture I was permitted to see!"

During Pope Leo's ecstasy he heard two voices, one deep and coarse which he understood to be Satan challenging the other voice, Jesus. Paraphrasing:

Satan: "Given enough time and enough power I can defeat your church."
Jesus: "How much time and how much power?"
Satan: "100 years and the power over those who would serve me."
Jesus: "You will have the power and the time."

What Leo XIII apparently saw, as described later by those who talked to him at the time of his vision, was a period of about one hundred years when the power of Satan would reach its zenith. That period was to be the twentieth century. Leo was so shaken by the spectre of the destruction of moral and spiritual values both inside and outside the Church, that he composed a prayer which was to be said at the end of each Mass celebrated on Sundays everywhere in the Catholic Church.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND FOR SOULS
(Recommended for frequent recitation in the present critical times)

"O glorious Prince of the heavenly host, St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle and in the fearful warfare we are waging against the principalities and powers, against the rulers of this world of darkness, against the evil spirits. Come to the assistance of men, whom Almighty God created immortal, making them in His own image and likeness and redeeming them at a great price from the tyranny of Satan.

+ Fight this day the battle of the Lord with your legions of holy angels, even as of old you fought against his rebel angels, who were powerless to stand against you. Neither was their place found any more in heaven. And that apostate angel, transformed into an angel of darkness who still creeps about the earth to encompass our ruin, was cast headlong into the abyss together with his followers.

+ But behold, that first enemy of mankind, and a murderer from the beginning, has regained his confidence. Changing himself into an angel of light, he goes about with the whole multitude of wicked spirits to invade the earth and blot out the name of God and of His Christ, to plunder, to slay and to consign to eternal damnation the souls that have been destined for a crown of everlasting life.

+ This wicked serpent, like an unclean torrent, pours into men of depraved minds and corrupt hearts the poison of his malice, the spirit of lying, godlessness and blasphemy, and the deadly breath of impurity and every form of vice and iniquity. These crafty enemies of mankind have filled to overflowing with gall and wormwood the Church, which is the Bride of the Lamb without spot; they have laid profane hands upon her most sacred treasures.

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"Make haste, therefore, O invincible Prince, to help the people of God against the inroads of the lost spirits and grant us the victory. Amen."

Creed to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the action and grace of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic, Apostolic and Palmarian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

L. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,   A. Have mercy on us.

Hail Holy Queen to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, hail our life, our sweetness and our hope! To Thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to Thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, Thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of Thy womb, Jesus. 0 most clement, 0 most loving, 0 most sweet Virgin Mary. Pray for us, 0 Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises and graces of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

L. Immaculate Heart of Mary,   A. Have mercy on us.

Soul of Christ
Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the Side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
0 good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy Wounds, hide me.
Never permit me to be separated from Thee.
From the malignant enemy, defend me.
At the hour of my death, call me. And bid me come to Thee.
That with Thy saints I may praise Thee, Forever and ever. Amen.

Take 0 Lord, into Thy hands, my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding and my will. All that I am and have, Thou hast given me; and I surrender them to Thee to be disposed in accordance with Thy holy will. Give me only Thy love and Thy grace. With these I am rich enough and desire nothing more. Amen.

Adorable Face of Our Lord Jesus Christ, terribly outraged by our sins, grant us the grace necessary to defend Thee with our life. 0 Lord! Engrave the image of Thy Face upon our hearts. Amen.

O myJesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell, take to Heaven all the souls of Purgatory, and help especially those most in need of Thy Divine Mercy.

Mary, Mother of Grace, Mother of Pity and Mercy, in our life and in our death, protect us great Lady. Amen.

Glorious Saint Joseph, assumed into Heaven, pray for us.
Lord, I have sinned. Have pity and mercy upon us. Blessed and praised be the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Sorrows of His Most Holy Mother at the foot of the Cross. Amen.

Behold, 0 kind and most sweet Jesus, I cast myself upon my knees in Thy sight, and with the most humble and fervent desire of my soul, I pray and beseech Thee that Thou wouldst impress upon my heart lively sentiments of Faith, Hope and Charity, with true repentance for my sins and a firm purpose of amendment; whilst with deep affection and grief of soul, I ponder within myself and mentally contemplate Thy five most precious Wounds, having before my eyes the words which David put on Thy lips in prophecy concerning Thee, 0 good Jesus: "They have pierced My hands and My feet, they have numbered all My bones." Amen.

To the Wounds of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the three hours of His Agony, His majestic Death upon the wood of the Cross; His glorious Resurrection and Ascension into Heaven, and His real and permanent Presence in all the tabernacles of the Palmarian Church throughout the world: 1 complete Our Father.

L. Blessed, praised and adored be Jesus in the Most Holy, Most Divine and Most August Sacrament of the Altar.
A. May He be forever blessed, praised and adored.

To the spiritual Passion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Her heartrending agony and spiritual death at the foot of the Cross; Her gentle Dormition and Transition into Heaven in Body and Soul, and Her real and true presence in all the tabernacles of the Palmarian Church throughout the world: 1 complete Our Father.

L. Blessed, praised and venerated be Mary in the Most Holy, Most Divine and Most August Sacrament of the Altar.
A. May She be forever blessed, praised and venerated.

May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.
Holy Mother! May the Wounds of Our Lord be impressed upon our hearts. By Thy Sacred Passion, 0 adorable Redeemer, save the souls of these repentant poor sinners. Amen.

To the Sorrows and Tears of the Most Holy Virgin
Mary at the foot of the Cross
L 0 Mary conceived without sin,
A. Pray for us who have recourse to Thee.
L. Hail Mary...
A. Holy Mary... (7 times)

A. 0 blessed be Thy purity, for all eternity be blest; for God Himself delights in Thy grace and loveliness. To Thee, 0 heavenly Princess, Most Sacred Virgin Mary, this very day I offer my soul and heart and life. Then look upon me with compassion; and, by Thy pure Conception, nor by daytime nor by night forsake me Mother mine, till in Thy love I die. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel
Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, 0 Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust down into Hell Satan and all wicked spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

I confess to Almighty God, to Blessed Mary ever Virgin, to Blessed Joseph, to Blessed Anne and Blessed Joachim, to Blessed John the Baptist, to Blessed Elias, to Blessed Michael the Archangel, to the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to Blessed Teresa, to all the Saints and to you brethren, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word and deed, (strike breast 3 times) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Blessed Joseph, Blessed Anne and Blessed Joachim, Blessed John the Baptist, Blessed Elias, Blessed Michael the Archangel, the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, Blessed Teresa, all the Saints and you brethren, to pray to the Lord our
God for me.

Spiritual Communion
0 Jesus and Mary! I firmly believe that You are really and truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I long to receive You sacramentally now. But as this cannot be, come at least spiritually to my heart: fill me with Your graces and inspirations to live forever bound to You. Amen.

L. Benedictus, laudatus et adoratus sit Jesus in sanctissimo, divinissimo et augustissimo altaris Sacramento.
A. Sit semper benedictus, laudatus et adoratus.
L. Benedicta, laudata et venerata sit Maria in sanctissimo, divinissimo et augustissimo altaris Sacramento.
A. Sit semper benedicta, laudata et venerata.

Prayer to the Most Blessed Trinity
Most Blessed Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, I adore Thee profoundly and offer Thee the Most Precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ present in all the Palmarian tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages by which He is offended; and through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and Divine Face, and the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.

Memorare
(Prayer of Saint Bernard)
Remember, 0 most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to Thy protection, implored Thy help or sought Thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto Thee, 0 Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to Thee do I come, before Thee I kneel, sinful and sorrowful: 0 Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in Thy clemency hear and answer me. Amen.

Litany of the Saints
(Used for the Rogations)
Exsurge Domine, * adjuva nos, et libera nos, propter Nomen tuum. Deus auribus nostris audivimus: * patres nostri annuntiaverunt nobis. Gloria Patri... (Exsurge Domine is repeated.)
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, audi nos. Christe, audi nos.
Christe, exaudi nos. Christe, exaudi nos.
Pater de coelis, Deus, miserere nobis.
Fili, Redemptor mundi, Deus,
Spiritus Sancte, Deus,
Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus,
Sancta Maria, ora pro nobis.
Sancta Dei Genitrix,
Sancta Virgo Virginum,
Sancte Joseph,
Sancta Anna,
Sancte Joachim,
Sancte Joannes Baptistae,
Sancte Elia,
Sancte Michael,
Sancte Gabriel, Sancte Raphael,
Sancte Uriel,
Sancte Cediel,
Sancte Cedechiel,
Sancte Jeremiell, ora pro nobis.
Omnes sancti Angeli et Archangeli, orate pro nobis
Omnes sancti beatorum Spirituum Ordines,
Omnes sancti Patriarchae et Prophetae,
Sancte Petre, ora pro nobis.
Sancte Paule,
Sancta Theresia,
Sancte Joannes,
Sancte Andrea,
Sancte Jacobe,
Sancte Thoma,
Sancte Jacobe,
Sancte Philippe,
Sancte Bartholomaeae
Sancte Mattaee,
Sancte Simon,
Sancte Thaddaeae,
Sancte Matthia,
Sancte Barnaba,
Sancte Luca,
Sancte Marce,
Omnes sancti Apostoli et Evangelistae, orate pro nobis.
Omnes sancti Discipuli Domini,
Omnes sancti Innocentes,
Sancte Stephane, ora pro nobis.
Sancte Laurenti,
Sancte Vincenti,
Sancti Fabiane et Sebastiane, orate pro nobis.
Sancti Joannes et Paule,
Sancti Cosma et Damiane,
Sancti Gervasi et Protasi,
Omnes sancti Martyres,
Sancte Silvester, ora pro nobis.
Sancte Gregori,
Sancte Ambrosii,
Sancte Augustine,
Sancte Hieronyme,
Sancte Martini,
Sancte Nicolae
Omnes sancti Pontifices et Confessores, orate pro nobis.
Omnes sancti Doctores,
Sancte Antonii, ora pro nobis.
Sancte Beneditae,
Sancte Bernarde,
Sancte Dominice,
Sancte Francisci,
Omnes sancti Sacerdotes et Levite, orate pro...
Omnes sancti Monachi et Eremites,
Sancta Maria Magdalena, ora pro nobis.
Sancta Agatha,
Sancta Lucia,
Sancta Agnes,
Sancta Cecilia,
Sancta Catharina,
Sancta Anastasia,
Omnes sanctae Virgines et Viduae, orate pro...
Omnes Sancti et Sancte Dei, intercedite pro nobis.
Propitius esto, parce nobis, Domine.
Propitius esto, exaudi nos, Domine.
Ab omni malo, libera nos, Domine.
Ab omni peccato,
Ab ira tua,
A subitanea et improvisa morte,
Ab insidiis diaboli,
Ab ira, et odio, et omni mala voluntate,
A spiritu fornicationis,
A fulgere et tempestate,
A flagello terraemotus,
A peste, fame, et bello,
A morte perpetua,
Per mysterium sanctae Incarnationis tuae,
Per adventum tuum,
Per nativitatem tuam,
Per baptismum et sanctum jejunium tuum,
Per crucem et passionem tuam,
Per mortem et sepulturam tuam,
Per sanctam resurrectionem tuam,
Per admirabilem ascensionem tuam,
Per adventum Spiritus Sancti Paracliti,
In die judicii,
Peccatores, te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut nobis parcas,
Ut nobis indulgeas,
Ut ad veram paenitentiam nos perducere digneris, Ut Ecclesiam tuam sanctam regere et conservare digneris,
Ut Domnum Apostolicum et omnes ecclesiasticos ordines in sancta religione conservare digneris,
Ut inimicos sanctae Ecclesiae humiliiare digneris, te rogamus, audi nos.
Ut cuncto populo christiano pacem et unitatem largiri digneris,
Ut omnes errantes ad unitatem Ecclesiae revocare, et infideles universos ad Evangelii lumen perducere digneris,
Ut nosmetipsos in tuo sancto servitio confortare et conservare digneris,
Ut mentes nostras ad celestia desideria erigas,
Ut Omnibus benefactoribus nostris sempiterna bona retribuas,
Ut animas nostras fratrum, propinquorum et benefactorum nostrorum ab aeterna damnatione eripias,
Ut fructus terrae dare et conservare digneris, Ut Omnibus fidelibus defunctis requiem aeternam donare digneris,
Ut nos exaudire digneris,
Fili Dei,
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, parce nobis, Domine.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, exaudi nos, Domine.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Christe, audi nos. Christe, audi nos.
Christe, exaudi nos. Christe, exaudi nos.

Act of Faith, Hope, Charity and Humility
I believe in God, I hope in God, I love God, and I would wish to love Him with the same love that the
Angels do, and if it were possible, with the selfsame love that His Mother, the Most Blessed Virgin
Mary does; and I am sorry (strike breast) a thousand times over for not having loved Him.

Prayer to our Guardian Angel
O Angel of God, my Guardian dear,
To whom God's love commits me here, Ever this day (night) be at my side,
To light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

The Angelus
L. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,
A. And She conceived by the action and grace of the Holy Ghost. Hail Mary.
L. Behold the handmaid of the Lord,
A. Be it done unto Me according to thy word. Hail Mary.
L. The Word of God was made Flesh,
A. And dwelt amongst us. Hail Mary. Glory be (3)
L Hail Mary most pure,  A. Conceived without sin.