

# The Remnant

(Est. in 1967)

“... At the present time there is a remnant left, selected out of grace.” - Romans 11:5



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From the Editor's Desk...

## The Remnant Resists Vatican Agenda in Germany



The anonymous group *Acies Ordinata* stages its 3rd silent demonstration, this time to protest the German Bishops' Synod in Munich, Germany. The event was attended by (front row left to right) Roberto de Mattei, John Smeaton, Michael Matt, John-Henry Westen, Alexander Tschueggel, and many other representatives of Catholic Tradition throughout the world.

### Michael J. Matt

LAST WEEK, we traveled to Munich, Germany to take part in the *Acies Ordinata*—a silent and prayerful demonstration, followed by a press conference at which Catholic activists delivered interventions against the effort to implement Francis' Amazon Synod errors throughout the Church.

Because the event was controversial and, in fact, took place just down the street from Cardinal Reinhardt Marx's residence, the organizers chose not to advertise it beforehand, preferring instead to “spring it” on the German Bishops so that it could not be blocked.

Unfortunately, this prompted Father Z to take to social media with claims that the *Acies Ordinata* was a 'secret' and 'elitist' event that failed to invite enough people.

Nothing could be further from the truth, of course. One does not invite the public to flash mobs and press conferences. The success of the event depended on the element of surprise. Rather than undertaking to bring large numbers of attendees to freezing cold Munich in January, the organizers sought to gather lay representatives of coalitions of opposition from around the world. In addition, Archbishop Carlo Maria

Viganò was there in person, and so the event had to be handled with discretion, for obvious reasons.

The *Acies Ordinata* included a press conference, preceded by a one-hour prayerful and silent demonstration. The press conference was certainly not silent nor was it secret. It offered outspoken denunciations of the German Bishops and the Amazon "synodal way" to prominent members of the press.

I'm hoping this transcript of my own intervention at the press conference will undo some of the damage done to an

event even Archbishop Viganò believed was important enough for him to come out of hiding to support.

We have several RTV videos on the Remnant website which make it clear how successful the *Acies Ordinata* was (especially with Archbishop Viganò's attendance, which surely took the Vatican aback) and how necessary it is to continue to organize similar acts of Catholic resistance throughout the world.

Please pray for the organizers of the *Acies Ordinata*, especially our friend and ally, Roberto de Mattei, and please look

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## The Conversion of the Jew Alphonse Ratisbonne

### Roberto de Mattei

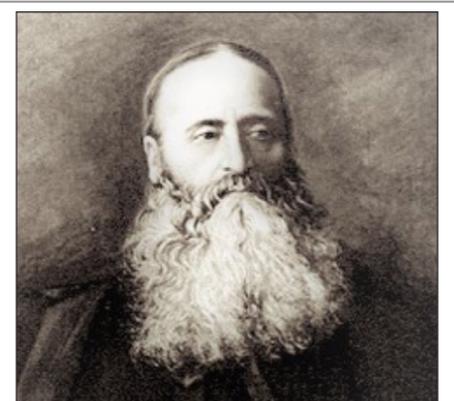
#### The Blessed Mother and the Church

ACCORDING TO traditional Catholic theology, there is an intimate and profound relationship between the Blessed Mother and the Church, the Mystical Body of Christ. By the will of God, the universal mediation of Mary is ordinarily necessary for the salvation and sanctification of men, just as the mediation of the Church is also

necessary. And, if the Church has been entrusted with the task of guarding and spreading the truths of the faith in their integrity and purity, the Blessed Mother has been given the mission of fighting and conquering the devil, the supreme inspirer and advocate of all errors and heresies.<sup>1</sup>

1. It is through her relationship with the Church that the Blessed Mother is entitled to be called Mediatrix and Co-Redemptrix. On Golgotha, “Thus she who, according to the flesh, was the mother of our Head,

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