

Earlier today, Vatican journalist Diane Montagna [posted](#) screenshots of two important documents related to the [upcoming papal consecration of Russia and Ukraine](#): **(1)** a letter from Pope Francis addressed to each Catholic bishop throughout the world and **(2)** the full text of the “Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary” prepared for the March 25, 2022 ceremony (available as a PDF [here](#)):

JUST IN: [#Vatican](#) sends letter from [#PopeFrancis](#) & Act of Consecration of Russia & Ukraine to bishops. It reads: “Therefore, Mother of God & our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust & consecrate ourselves, the Church & all humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine.”  
[pic.twitter.com/AMSasMiw4O](https://pic.twitter.com/AMSasMiw4O)

— Diane Montagna (@dianemontagna) [March 22, 2022](#)

## Official Text for “Act of Consecration” of Russia and Ukraine Made Public



Dear Brother,

Nearly a month has passed since the outbreak of the war in Ukraine that is daily inflicting immense suffering upon its sorely tried people and threatening world peace. At this dark hour, the Church is urgently called to intercede before the Prince of Peace and to demonstrate her closeness to those directly affected by the conflict. I am grateful to the many people who have responded with great generosity to my appeals for prayer, fasting and charity.

Now, also in response to numerous requests by the People of God, I wish in a special way to entrust the nations at war to the Blessed Virgin Mary. As I announced yesterday at the conclusion of the Angelus prayer, on 25 March, the Solemnity of the Annunciation, I intend to carry out a solemn Act of Consecration of humanity, and Russia and Ukraine in particular, to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Since it is fitting that we should invoke peace with hearts renewed by God's forgiveness, the Act of Consecration will take place in the context of a Celebration of Penance to be held in Saint Peter's Basilica at 5:00 p.m., Rome time. The Act itself will take place about 6:30 p.m.

This Act of Consecration is meant to be a gesture of the universal Church, which in this dramatic moment lifts up to God, through his Mother and ours, the cry of pain of all those who suffer and implore an end to the violence, and to entrust the future of our human family to the Queen of Peace. I ask you to join in this Act by inviting the priests, religious and faithful to assemble in their churches and places of prayer on 25 March, so that God's Holy People may raise a heartfelt and choral plea to Mary our Mother. I am sending you the text of the prayer of consecration, so that all of us can recite it throughout that day, in fraternal union.

I thank you for the attention you will give to this request and for your ready cooperation. With great affection, I bless you and the faithful entrusted to your pastoral care. May Jesus protect you and the Holy Virgin watch over you. I ask you, please, also to pray for me.

Fraternally,

Francois-Xavier

From Saint John Lateran, 21 March 2022

Letter of Pope Francis to each Catholic bishop. Credit: Diane Montagna/Twitter

Prior to Montagna’s tweet, I happened to see [Fr. John Stone’s posting](#) of what appeared to screenshots of a PDF document containing the official text. Shortly thereafter, someone on Twitter [alerted](#) me that *The Catholic Spirit*, official publication of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, had [posted the text](#) on their website yesterday (March 21) and that the wording matched Fr. Stone’s screenshots (the Archdiocese’s Office of Worship also made [this PDF](#) available).

The critical sentence of the “Act of Consecration” (found in the second-to-last paragraph of the lengthy text) reads:

“Therefore, Mother of God and our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the Church and all humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine.”

In response to today’s big news, Catholic attorney and author [Christopher Ferrara](#) — a longtime [CFN contributor](#) who collaborated closely with the late [Fr. Nicholas Gruner](#) (1942-2015) and has written two books on Fatima ([The Secret Still Hidden](#) and [False Friends of Fatima](#)) — [told](#) LifeSiteNews:

“Barring any further meddling by Modernist papal advisors, the published text, which is being communicated to the worldwide episcopate with an invitation to invoke it at the appointed time, will finally link the words ‘consecrate’ and ‘Russia’ in a public declaration by the Pope, who will recite the operative words in union with as many of the world’s bishops who join him on Friday.”

Ferrara also stated:

“It seems to me that we can hope for the best, given that for the first time since Our Lady appeared to Sister Lucy at Tuy, Spain in 1929 to request the Consecration of *Russia* by the Pope and the world’s bishops precisely that is about to happen, albeit amidst a verbal jumble of other objects of the ceremony. We can only wait and see.”

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For further commentary and analysis, please watch the show that Dr. Taylor Marshall and I live-streamed earlier today:

Stay tuned for further coverage. *Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!*

**UPDATE (3/23/2022):** Following yesterday’s revelation of the official text via social media, the Holy See Press Office has formally released today both the “[Letter of Pope Francis to the Bishops](#)” concerning the consecration of Russia and Ukraine as well as the “[Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary](#)” itself. Both texts are now available on the Vatican website among the documents and speeches of Pope Francis (see [here](#) and [here](#)).