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Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Dear Friends of Catholic Tradition,

As in all things, our Blessed Mother shows us the way to act in accordance with the will of her Divine Son. Right after the <u>Feast of the Most Precious Blood</u> (July 1), the sacred liturgy commemorates her <u>Visitation to St. Elizabeth</u>, the second Joyful Mystery of the Rosary (see Luke 1:39-56). What is the reaction that we should exhibit after receiving the divinity of her Son, united forever now to His Precious Blood? It is to come out of ourselves in charity. We must reach out to our neighbors and offer them an example of Christian charity.

This is a particularly important lesson for our time, as our world and Church become more and more corrupt. As we see tyranny and evil proliferate around us, it is easy to want to climb into the bubble of our immediate surroundings. We are tempted to try and hide. Yet, that is not the way of Our Lady or Our Lord. Even in the agony of His Passion, Our Lord reached out to the Good Thief, offering him the hope of paradise. He did not turn inward on Himself, focusing on His own unjust persecution.

In a world that continues to crucify Him with the complicity of His priests and bishops, and even His Vicar, we must follow Mary's example and visit our neighbors. By this, we mean not merely to physically visit and perform merely natural acts of kindness. What did Mary bring with her on the Visitation? Even more than charity, she brought with her the Son of God living within her. Like her, we need to bring the truth and love of Christ to our neighbors.

If the Pope and bishops are silent when they should be calling the world to conversion to Christ, we must not follow their example. We may not be able to speak to the world or cities or nations as they could, but we can speak to those around us, offering them in charity the hope of the truth. Let us resist the temptation to hide in our little corner of the world and attempt to avoid the persecution of the world. Now is not the time to hide Christ present in us, but rather to visit our world and offer His saving truth in this hour of darkness.

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In the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

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