

The Election Is Over Now Move On

This election has dominated our collective psyche for more than a year. Now it is over and we can move on to other productive pursuits. The election was extremely divisive and highlighted differences far more than unity. Way too much time has been devoted to negativity and that can now change. We need to pivot towards a more positive perspective. *Whoever Is President, Jesus Christ Is Our Leader, our President, our King.*

As Christ followers our leader has not changed. The election of a new president does not impact our followership. Whenever there is a conflict between what a government leader is saying or doing and what Jesus has taught, we should always have our eyes focused on the Lord and follow our Lord's teachings. Jesus is the greatest leader the world has ever known as long as we faithfully follow him we will be just fine.

We Are Christians Before We Are Americans

We are Christians first and foremost, then Americans or Canadians or Irish, Italians, Polish, Haitians, Cape Verdeans, etc. We are Christians first and then we're white, black, Hispanic or Asian, etc. When we let ourselves get divided politically we tend to forget our first allegiance. Being absorbed, spending too much time on political remedies or political power can cause a lack of focus on the **One** who has all the answers and ultimate power.

God Can Work Regardless Who Is President

Throughout human history God has always been at work in spite of all types of government policies and leadership failures. There may be times when we think the attacks against the Church or our principles are too great but the Church has always survived and thrived. We belong to a “political party – The Jesus Party – The Catholic Church” which is 2000 years old. It was founded by Jesus Christ in the year 33 A.D. No amount of political differences, cultural strife or ideological division can stop its work for God. What God has started can never be stopped or ever undone. “I am with you always until the end of the ages.”

Remember our past, the persecutions, the triumphs, the highs and the lows, but the Catholic Church has endured. Pilate, the Roman governor, asked Jesus if he was a King. Jesus responded positively, but his Kingdom he said is not of this world, and neither are we. His kingdom is within our minds and hearts, and no earthly government can or ever will replace it. **BE HOPEFUL, BE JOYFUL, BE AT PEACE...** “**Instead (of being too concerned with the craziness of this world), seek The Father’s kingdom, and these other things will be given you besides. Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. (Lk 12: 31-32) Let's have a Christian response to this world and move forward to do God's work in ever hopeful ways**

Pledge of allegiance to Christ the King

I pledge allegiance to Christ the King.

I embrace his eternal and universal kingdom.

*I acknowledge his kingdom to be one of truth and life,
of holiness and grace.*

*I wish to do what I can through prayer and action
to bring to the world his kingdom
of justice, love and peace.*

SO HELP ME GOD.