

letter, dated last March 19th, about fidelity. You will not find any reference to the Constitution *Praedicate Evangelium*, since it was written before the constitution was published, and, moreover, the object of the letter is not directly related to that document.

On that day, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, Pope Francis will consecrate Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Let us join the Holy Father in this act of trust in the powerful intercession of our Mother. Let us go to her who is all-powerful in supplication, asking that she may change the hearts of men and that we all may be instruments of peace.

From many places I am hearing news about the many initiatives that you, together with so many people of good will, are organizing to help the victims of the war. God will bless these efforts with abundant fruits of peace, serenity and joy. As Saint Josemaría said, we Christians have to “drown evil in an abundance of good.”

Rome, 23 March 2022

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Message of May 24

My dear children: may Jesus watch over my daughters and sons for me!

The words from Scripture “I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession” (*Ps* 2:8) are a prophetic reference to Christ, and therefore, in Him and with Him, to each one of us. Nothing in the world is foreign to us Christians.

May this truth lead us to feel as very much our own all the joys and sorrows in the world, and to be “constant in prayer” and always “joyful in hope” (cf. *Rom* 12:12). Let us have recourse to the intercession of our Mother Mary, especially during this month of May.

Rome, 24 May 2022

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Message of June 14, on the Occasion of the Conclusion of the Year of the Family

My dear children: may Jesus watch over my daughters and sons for me!

June 26th will end the Year of the Family convoked by Pope Francis, who has invited us to reflect on the importance of the family in the Church and in all of society.

The family is the first setting where a person becomes aware of being loved for who he or she is and learns to love others. All families have their strengths and weaknesses, their good times and their difficulties. But our Lord is always calling us to look at each person