Catholic Traditions by Mike Gendron

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"You nullify the Word of God by your traditions that you have handed down" (Mark 7:13)

Over the years many traditions have crept into the Roman Catholic Church, nullifying the Word of God and His saving grace. The following list shows a steady departure over the years from the pure Gospel of salvation. Each tradition goes directly against the truth of Scripture. Roman Catholics are required to believe all the doctrines of their church.

Year Tradition

- 431 Proclamation that infant baptism regenerates the soul.
- 500 The Mass instituted as re-sacrifice of Jesus for the remission of sin
- 593 Declaration that sin need to be purged, established by Pope Gregory I
- 600 Prayers directed to Mary, dead saints, and angels.
- 786 Worship of cross, images, and relics authorized.
- 995 Canonization of dead people as saints initiated by Pope John XV.
- 1000 Attendance at Mass made mandatory under the penalty of mortal sin.
- 1079 Celibacy of priesthood, decreed by Pope Gregory VII.
- 1090 Rosary, repetitious praying with beads, invented by Peter the Hermit.
- 1184 The Inquisitions, instituted by the Council of Verona.
- 1190 The sale of Indulgences established to reduce time in Purgatory.
- 1215 Transubstantiation, proclaimed by Pope Innocent III.
- 1215 Confession of sin to priests, instituted by Pope Innocent III.
- 1229 Bible placed on Index of Forbidden Books in Toulouse.
- 1438 Purgatory elevated from doctrine to dogma by Council of Florence.
- 1545 Tradition claimed equal in authority with the Bible by the Council of Trent.
- 1546 Apocryphal Books declared canon by Council of Trent.
- 1854 Immaculate Conception of Mary, proclaimed by Pope Pius IX.
- 1870 Infallibility of the Pope, proclaimed by Vatican Council.
- 1922 Virgin Mary proclaimed co-redeemer with Jesus by Pope Benedict XV.
- 1950 Assumption of Virgin Mary into heaven, proclaimed by Pope Pius XII.