

Is Pope Francis the FINAL Pope – Petrus Romanus?

The new Pope augurs great changes for the Vatican. Will they be positive changes? Or a radical shift in Roman Catholic aims and power politics? What do we know about this Pope from the “end of the earth,” Argentina? What was his role in the “Dirty War”? What does Bible prophecy say about the final Pope?

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The conclave ended quickly and a new Pope was chosen – a man little heralded and unexpected ascended to the throne of the Papacy. For the first time in history, a member of the Jesuit order has taken over the Papacy – Argentine Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, 76 years of age. He was runner up in the last papal elections which saw Benedict XVI chosen for the seat.

Although Bergoglio seems to show piety, humility, and a love for the poor on the surface, as he is widely proclaimed to have rare meekness and concern for the poor, because he travels on public transport, cooks his own meals, has lived in a relatively humble abode, and rejects the trappings of the normal papacy, what kind of man is he really?

T-shirts and mugs bearing his picture and even, according to one report, a football shirt of his beloved Buenos Aires club, San Lorenzo, with the name “Francisco” on the back have begun appearing as Argentina embraces one of its own as pope. . .

“But a pope now charged with healing divisions in a worldwide church riven by [sex scandals](#) and allegations of [financial mismanagement](#) has his own, vocal, detractors,” writes Jude Webber of Buenos Aires.

“For us, his election is a backwards step in the fight for human rights,” said Carlos Pisoni of the H.I.J.O.S. lobby group representing children of the 30,000 leftist sympathizers who died or disappeared during the Argentine military dictatorship’s Dirty War in 1976-83. There is sufficient proof that Bergoglio was complicit during the dictatorship.

Says Webber, “While no one is suggesting that the pope went to the torture centres run by the military to hear confessions, he is alleged by rights activists to have withdrawn protection from two Jesuits who were later kidnapped and tortured, though subsequently freed.

“While the pope, who has testified in two Dirty War trials, says he lobbied for their release, Horacio Verbitsky, a journalist and author of a book on the church and the dictatorship, slammed him in an opinion piece as ‘the right person to cover up rottenness. He is an expert in cover-ups.’”

H.I.J.O.S. meanwhile, displayed its disgust in a poster on its [website](#) showing a photo montage of the new pope riding in an open-topped, blood-spattered Ford Falcon “the cars used for kidnappings” alongside junta members.

Hebe de Bonafini, head of the Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo, said the lobby group of women whose children were “disappeared” under the dictatorship considered the official Argentine church oppressive. “We compiled a list of 150 priests murdered by the dictatorship that the official church kept quiet about.”

“The Dirty War”

Although responses to Pope Francis have been [chiefly positive](#), one very dark stain in church history is raising serious questions about the new pope—what was the church's role during the dictatorship in Argentina? The church backed the dictatorship during its rule from 1976 to 1983, urging its followers to be patriotic and support the regime, too, even as thousands of people were abducted and murdered by the government, including many progressive priests. As the head of the Jesuit order in Argentina from 1973 to 1979, Jorge Bergoglio was part of the church hierarchy and has been accused of working with the dictatorship.

In 2005, Bergoglio was accused in a lawsuit of withdrawing church protection from two anti-government priests, leading to their incarceration under brutal conditions in 1976, reports the [New York Times](#). Bergoglio has called the allegation “slander” and claimed he worked behind the scenes to help the priests, but he has twice refused to testify in court about what his role had been. “I still have many doubts about his role regarding the Jesuits who went missing under the dictatorship,” says the leader of a group of left-wing priests. Others praise Bergoglio for his role in the “monumental task” of healing the church's black eye after the war: “If he can restore the credibility of the church (in Argentina),” says one expert, “he can handle the scandals that have befallen the church worldwide.”

According to an article by Sharon Churcher and Tom Worden of the *Mail*, “Damning evidence that Pope Francis may have betrayed two priests who were kidnapped and tortured by Argentina’s brutal military junta can be revealed today.

“The Mail on Sunday has seen documents which appear to show the new Pope secretly collaborated with the country’s dictatorship when he was head of the Jesuits there using his real name Jorge Bergoglio “ during the Dirty War that started in the Seventies.

Orlando Yorio

“One of the documents is a 27-page report by Orlando Yorio, one of the kidnapped priests, in which he accuses the current pontiff of secretly spreading dangerous rumours about him and a colleague while personally promising them support and protection.

“A second document is a confidential government memo written in 1979 which appears to reveal Bergoglio informed junta officials that Father Yorio and Father Francisco Jalics were suspected of collaborating with guerrillas and that Jalics was accused of encouraging dissent among a congregation of nuns.

“Bergoglio, 76, who was chosen as the new Pope on Wednesday, has been accused of effectively handing the priests over to the regime’s death squads by failing to quash rumours they were dissidents.”

The authors go on, “Pope Francis strongly denies claims he was in league with the generals who kidnapped and murdered thousands of Argentines, including pregnant women, during their seven-year rule. But the documents unearthed in Buenos Aires suggest he was complicit with the regime both before and after the two priests were seized in 1976.

“Yorio wrote his 27-page formal report to the Jesuit hierarchy in Rome in November 1977, a year after he was released from a military prison, addressing it to Father Moura, the chaplain to the Society of Jesus in Rome.” (Special Report: The damning documents that show new Pope DID betray tortured priests to the junta,” March 16, 2013).

The article continues, “It gives a chilling first-hand account of how the priests were seized by 200 armed troops, drugged, tortured and held for five months then dumped half-naked in a field.

“And it describes how Yorio and Jalics became convinced Bergoglio had betrayed them, ignoring their desperate pleas to protect them from the military.

“The two men were suspected of collaborating with guerrillas because of their work among the poor in Buenos Aires slums. Shortly before they were seized they were dismissed from the Jesuit order by Bergoglio.

“Yorio wrote in his report: ~Rumours emerged about our participation with the guerrillas. As things were in Argentina, a claim like that coming from important mouths (as the Jesuits are) could, plain and simply, signify our death.

~The forces of the extreme Right had already machine-gunned a priest in his house and had kidnapped, tortured and left for dead another. Both of them were living in poor towns. We had received various warnings along the lines that we should take care. Father Jalics had personally spoken with several Jesuits to warn them of the situation and

make them take note of the danger. He had also spoken about this with Father Bergoglio, making him see above all that my life had been put in serious danger.

~That month of December [1975], given the continuing rumours about my participation with the guerrillas, Father Jalics spoke seriously again with Father Bergoglio. [He] recognized the seriousness of the situation and promised to put a stop to the rumours and to hurry up and speak to people from the armed forces to testify our innocence.

“Yorio claims Bergoglio not only failed to quash the rumours, he actively spread them among Jesuits. He wrote: ~We began to suspect his honesty.”

“According to Yorio’s account, Bergoglio wrote a letter to Argentinian Archbishop Miguel Raspanti outlining serious accusations against the two priests. It is not clear if Bergoglio was making the allegations himself, or passing on accusations made by others.”

Yorio wrote: ~I went to speak to Father Bergoglio and he totally denied it. He said his report had been completely favourable and that Archbishop Raspanti was elderly and sometimes got confused.

Yorio then described the horror of being kidnapped on May 23, 1976, tortured and interrogated at a prison in the Navy School of Mechanics in the Argentine capital, where 5,000 people were murdered during the dictatorship.

He wrote: ~For five months Father Jalics and I were chained by the feet and hands and had our eyes covered. Totally incommunicado.

~The first four or five days I went without eating, without drinking water, without going to the bathroom. A month and a half later I was able to change my dirty clothes.

~On the sixth day they put me together with Father Jalics. They started giving me food and I was able to go to the bathroom.”

Yorio said he was drugged and interrogated. He was accused of being a guerrilla and of ~having sexual relations with a female catechistâ. A public outcry over their arrests meant they were eventually freed, dumped semi-naked from a helicopter in a field outside Buenos Aires on October 23. The damning report was handed to The Mail on Sunday by leading Argentine author and human rights activist Horacio Verbitsky, who began investigating Bergoglio shortly after he was named Archbishop of Buenos Aires in February 1998.

A Horror Story Worsens

The story only gets worse. It was given to him by Yorio’s family after the priest died from natural causes in 2000.

Yorio's claims are vigorously denied by the Pope. Last week, Vatican spokesman the Reverend Federico Lombardi said: "There has never been a credible, concrete accusation against him. There have been many declarations of how much he did for many people to protect them from the military dictatorship."

Mr. Verbitsky has also given The Mail on Sunday a copy of a foreign ministry memo from 1979 which suggests Bergoglio continued to collaborate with the regime even after the two priests were freed.

The typed note, over four paragraphs, appears to outline Bergoglio's criticisms of Jalics to a government official, and gave reasons why the priest, who was by then living in exile in a German monastery, should be refused a new passport.

Bergoglio told the official that Jalics was suspected of working with guerrillas and of encouraging dissent among a group of nuns. The official wrote: "These facts were supplied by Father Bergoglio himself, signature to the note with a special recommendation not to grant his request [for a new passport]."

A stamped foreign ministry paper dated December 20, 1979, reveals the passport application was then refused because of Jalics previous record.

The new Pope was last week also accused of links to officials who seized as many as 500 newborn babies from their mothers to be adopted by supporters of the junta.

Estela de la Cuadra, a woman whose pregnant sister went missing during the dictatorship, produced evidence last week that the Church suggested Bergoglio could help her quest for the truth.

He is alleged to have assigned a priest to investigate the case.

Ms de la Cuadra claims the priest later told her that her sister had given birth to a daughter and that it would be "impossible to return the child to the family as she had been given to a "too important a family.

Such corruption and wickedness is a stench to the God of heaven, and the cover-up of this vile conspiracy is egregious hypocrisy of the worst kind imaginable!

Nazi Germany

Does this not sound reprehensible and like a view back to the horrors of Nazi Germany and the Roman Catholic involvement in the gruesome, ghastly and horrendous torture, massacres, and beheadings of Serbs in Yugoslavia by Roman Catholic fanatics in Croatia? The horrors of World War II's religious persecutions reawakened in Argentina in the 1970's under the junta's "Dirty War," where some 30,000 innocent people and accused anti-government and dissatisfied peoples were put to death by the military

junta's "Death Squads." And the Jesuits and Bergoglio were in a passive and sometimes an active manner.

The same Roman Catholic Church which aided and abetted the "Dirty War" in Argentina was similarly involved in World Wars I and II. Before World War II, the Vatican quietly supported the rise to power of Benito Mussolini in Italy, a Fascist, and formed a "concordat" with him – an agreement to support his role in government for his support for the Vatican state. The Vatican, under Pope Pius XII, also contributed financially to the rise of Adolf Hitler in Germany, to the tune of millions of dollars, and a Jesuit helped him write his infamous *Mein Kampf* while in prison.

It is well known, too, that after World War II, the Roman Catholic Church helped secretly transport fleeing Nazis out of Europe through Vatican channels to safety in South America, notably Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay and other countries. The infamous war criminal Adolf Eichmann, of the Nazi SS, was traced by the Jewish Nazi hunters to Argentina and captured in 1962 and tried in Israel. Eichmann was a German [Nazi SS-Obersturmbannführer \(lieutenant colonel\)](#) and one of the major organizers of the [Holocaust](#). Because of his organizational talents and ideological reliability, Eichmann was charged with the task of facilitating and managing the logistics of mass [deportation of Jews](#) to [ghettos](#) and [extermination camps](#) in German-occupied [Eastern Europe](#).

Catholics themselves denounce the complicity of the Church's leaders in the "Dirty War" waged by the military junta that ruled Argentina between 1976 and 1983 and it is scarcely surprising. They accounted for many of the estimated 30,000 workers, students, intellectuals and others who were "disappeared" and murdered, and the tens of thousands more who were imprisoned and tortured.

Bergoglio's Complicity

But some of Bergoglio's harshest critics come from within the Catholic Church itself, including priests and lay workers who say he handed them over to the torturers as part of a collaborative effort to "cleanse" the Church of "leftists." One of them, a Jesuit priest, Orlando Yorio, was abducted along with another priest after ignoring a warning from Bergoglio, then head of the Jesuit order in Argentina, to stop their work in a Buenos Aires slum district.

During the first trial of leaders of the military junta in 1985, Yorio declared, "I am sure that he himself gave over the list with our names to the Navy." The two were taken to the notorious Navy School of Mechanics (ESMA) torture center and held for over five months before being drugged and dumped in a town outside the city.

Bergoglio was ideologically predisposed to backing the mass political killings unleashed by the junta. In the early 1970s, he was associated with the right-wing Peronist Guardia de Hierro (Iron Guard), whose cadre—together with elements of the Peronist trade union bureaucracy—were employed in the death squads known as the Triple A (Argentine Anti-Communist Alliance), which carried out a campaign of extermination

against left-wing opponents of the military before the junta even took power. Adm. Emilio Massera, the chief of the Navy and the leading ideologue of the junta, also employed these elements, particularly in the disposal of the personal property of the “disappeared.”

Yorio, who died in 2000, charged that Bergoglio “had communications with Admiral Massera, and had informed him that I was the chief of the guerrillas.”

The junta viewed the most minimal expression of opposition to the existing social order or sympathy for the oppressed as “terrorism.” The other priest who was abducted, Francisco Jalics, recounted in a book that Bergoglio had promised them he would tell the military that they were not terrorists. He wrote, “From subsequent statements by an official and 30 documents that I was able to access later, we were able to prove, without any room for doubt, that this man did not keep his promise, but that, on the contrary, he presented a false denunciation to the military.”

Bergoglio declined to appear at the first trial of the junta as well as at subsequent proceedings to which he was summoned. In 2010, when he finally did submit to questioning, lawyers for the victims found him to be “evasive” and “lying.”

Bergoglio claimed that he learned only after the end of the dictatorship of the junta’s practice of stealing the babies of disappeared mothers, who were abducted, held until giving birth and then executed, with their children given to military or police families. This lie was exposed by people who had gone to him for help in finding missing relatives.

The collaboration with the junta was not a mere personal failing of Bergoglio, but rather the policy of the Church hierarchy, which backed the military’s aims and methods. The Argentine journalist Horacio Verbitsky exposed Bergoglio’s attempted cover-up for this systemic complicity in a book that Bergoglio authored, which edited out compromising sentences from a memorandum recording a meeting between the Church leadership and the junta in November 1976, eight months after the military coup.

Interestingly, the Dirty War accounts are at complete odds with Bergoglio’s demeanor as a humble servant of Christ, a meek old man who loves the poor and is solicitous of their welfare.

Interestingly, too, one of the Concentration Camps of the junta was actually right on Catholic Church property!

Human Rights Watch has said there is little question that in Argentina many senior church leaders were complicit with the generals. Argentine investigative journalist Horacio Verbitsky, in his book *El Silencio*, reports that one concentration camp was set up on church property which had previously been used as a retreat for senior clergy.

In the 1970's, Bergoglio was on a "fast track" in the church hierarchy. He had been made the Jesuit Provincial in Argentina, at the age of 36. The strong suggestion is that he gained and preserved his position there by avoiding responsibility and evading trouble by cooperating with the junta and following along with and quietly supporting it.

The current ongoing trial of 44 military men in Argentina for their part in the Dirty War has reopened raw wounds. When pregnant women were abducted, and "disappeared," by the military elite, their babies were allowed to be born first, and then were adopted into high level, favorable families, or given to couples deemed sympathetic to the cause.

During the Dirty War, the detention and torture centers were all assigned "priests" whose job was not to comfort the prisoners or abductees, but to assuage the consciences of the torturers and killers! They assured those operating the "death flights," where people were taken aloft in helicopters, drugged, stripped naked and then thrown overboard into the sea to their deaths, that they were doing "God's Work," and they were "separating the wheat from the chaff." Other priests participated in the torture sessions and tried to use the rite of confession to extract information of use to the torturers.

The Final Pope?

The fact that such a man as Bergoglio could be selected to be the next Pope speaks volumes about the dire state of morality of the Roman Catholic Church hierarchy worldwide. Such a deed must serve as a stark warning to the world that we are entering into uncharted waters, and grief and tribulation and horror lie ahead. The horrific crimes carried out in Argentina, on behalf of the bestial dictatorial junta, with the collaboration of the Roman Catholic Church, and the Jesuits in particular, is a warning to all the world that even worse horrors lie ahead of us, multiplied a thousand fold.

As for Bergoglio, now Pope Francis, "History condemns him. It shows him to be opposed to all innovation in the Church and above all, during the dictatorship, it shows he was very cozy with the military," says Fortunato Mallimacci, the former dean of social sciences at the University of Buenos Aires.

There is a "power elite" in the world today who are contemplating the use of similar methods once again to seize control of the nations and peoples of the world and all their assets and wealth, out of a strong compulsion to rule over all mankind.

Could Francis be the "last pope" who will assist and cooperate in this global conspiracy? Bible prophecy speaks out on this issue with force and clarity. Soon to arise will be a "beast" power which will for a short time rule the whole earth in a "New World Order" just before the coming of the Messiah, and who will lead the world's nations to fight against the returning Christ, calling Him an "alien invader" from outer space, when He comes with an army of angels to reestablish God's government over the earth!

The Petrus Romanus Prophecy

An author who predicted Pope Benedict XVI would be the first pontiff in nearly 600 years to resign believes the election today of Jorge Mario Bergoglio as the 266th Roman Catholic pontiff lines up with a medieval prophecy that would make him the “final pope” before the End Times.

Tom Horn, co-author with Cris Putman of the book *“Petrus Romanus: The Final Pope is Here,”* told WND today Bergoglio’s selection was a “fantastic fulfillment of prophecy.”

His book examines St. Malachy’s “Prophecy of the Popes,” said to be based on a prophetic vision of the 112 popes following Pope Celestine II, who died in 1144.

Malachy’s prophecies, first published in 1595, culminate with the “final pope,” “Petrus Romanus,” or “Peter the Roman,” whose reign ends with the destruction of Rome and the judgment of Christ.

Horn has said a pope of Italian descent would fulfill the prophecy, noting Bergoglio is the son of Italian parents and a Jesuit.

“Being a Jesuit is a very important aspect of our prediction in our book,” Horn told WND in an email.

Citing his book, Horn said the name “Petrus Romanus” in the prophecy “implies this pope will reaffirm the authority of the Roman Pontiff over the Church and will emphasize the supremacy of the Roman Catholic Faith and the Roman Catholic Church above all other religions and denominations, and its authority over all Christians and all peoples of the world.”

Horn pointed out the Jesuits order was organized “to stop Protestantism from spreading and to preserve communion with Rome and the successor of Peter.”

He also sees significance in Bergoglio naming himself after Francis of Assisi, an Italian, or Roman, priest whose original name was Francesco di Pietro (Peter) di Bernardone, “literally, Peter the Roman.”

As [WND reported](#), Horn and his co-author, Chris Putnam, predicted in their book Benedict would step down, making way for history’s “final pope.”

The 2012 prediction

Remarkably, Horn told WND, more than 60 years ago a Belgian Jesuit theologian and academic named Rene Thibaut came up with the date 2012 as the culmination of Malachy’s prophecies.

Horn points to reports that Benedict made his decision to resign last year, before announcing it in February.

Thibaut's book was published in French only four months before Thibaut died.

Horn and Putnam translated the Belgian priest's rare 1951 book, "The Mysterious Prophecy of the Popes," into English.

"Adopting the methodology of a mystic as well as a scholar," Horn and Putnam write in the first chapter of their book, Thibaut "makes a compelling case that 'The Prophecy of the Popes' is a real supernatural prophecy."

Horn noted Thibaut is among many Catholic leaders, including popes, cardinals and priests, who have affirmed Malachy's work, which was kept in the Vatican archives for five centuries before it was first published. He said Thibaut used a number of methods of cryptographic analysis to come up with the date 2012, including calculating the average length of papal reign up until the time he wrote his book.

"In other words," Horn and Putnam write, "2012 was seen as an end-times 'event horizon' by at least one Jesuit priest before most readers were born."

St. Malachy, an Irish saint and the archbishop of Armagh, who lived from 1094 to 1148, described the "final pope" this way: "In the extreme persecution of the Holy Roman Church, there will sit Peter the Roman, who will nourish the sheep in many tribulations; when they are finished, the City of Seven Hills will be destroyed, and the dreadful judge will judge his people."

As [WND reported](#), he described the penultimate pope, which Horn believes is Benedict, as "Gloria Olivae," or "Glory of the Olive." Benedict was not a Benedictine priest, yet he chose the name of the founder of the Order of Saint Benedict, which also is known as the Olivetans. The symbol of the Benedictine order includes an olive branch.

Chris Putnam Speaks Out

Says Chris Putnam, co-author of *Petrus Romanus* with Tom Horn, "According to the prophecy of St. Malachy, *Petrus Romanus* has arrived. Pope Francis I, formerly known as Jorge Mario Bergoglio, was the son of an Italian railroad worker from Turin, Italy. While those of shallow vision will be quick to point out 'his name is not Peter,' prophecy is often fulfilled enigmatically in a manner not entirely clear until it is resolved. For example, who could have known that 'labor of the sun' John Paul II would be buried during an eclipse until his papacy had ended? We have stated from the beginning that the title "Peter the Roman" was likely symbolic. All popes claim apostolic succession from Peter and for this reason it is called the *Petrine* office."

For instance, Tom Horn stated in a recent interview for World Net Daily: "Regardless, Horn said he's always maintained that it doesn't take someone whose Christian name is Peter to fulfill the prophecy. In fact, if any Italian is elected, that would be a fairly transparent fulfillment," he said. Moreover, he argued, 'in a very general sense,

every pope could be regarded as “Peter the Roman,” and in that sense, this could be the last one.”

Rome was an empire and a city so his Italian ancestry arguably meets the Roman aspect albeit in an oblique way. Interestingly, Rene Thibaut, the Jesuit who wrote in 1950 that the papacy would be abdicated in 2012, rejected the possibility of a pope named Peter and wrote that the name symbolized the totality of the papacy: “There is only one Peter, the first of the Roman pontiffs, and he was seen in his many successors. He is still to serve in the final as in the first persecution. We believe Petrus Romanus represents all the Roman Pontiffs from St. Peter to the recipient Gloria Olivae.”

In Thibaut’s reckoning all the ambitions and pretensions of the papal dynasty are now encompassed in one man. Paramount is the fact that he is the first ever Jesuit pope. This has great prophetic significance as the Jesuit order was formed specifically to combat the protestant reformation and assert papal supremacy over the entire world.

According to a historian, “The Jesuits were the soldiers of the pope: they knew no law but the will of their general, no mode of worship but the pope’s dictate no church but themselves.” Because of this, the Jesuit order was suppressed and disbanded for its pernicious skullduggery by Pope Clement XIV in 1773 and by the mid-eighteenth century, the Jesuits had earned a bad reputation in Europe for political maneuvering and economic exploitation bar none.

The Fourth Vow of Obedience

Interestingly, Pope Benedict XVI addressed the Jesuit order in 2008 encouraging them to reinvigorate the *fourth vow*. He said, “For this very reason I have invited you and also invite you today to reflect in order to rediscover the fullest meaning of your characteristic “fourth vow” of obedience to the Successor of Peter, ...”

The fourth vow of obedience to the pope is one of “absolute subservience to the pope; to do whatever he enjoined, and go on any service he wished, and into any quarter of the globe.”^[5] A few ex-Jesuits have called this a blood oath involving pagan rites which were laid bare in the suppressed document “[Jesuit Extreme Oath of Induction](#)” which was recorded in records of the U.S. Congress. According to this document, they are indoctrinated into the principle of IUSTUM, NECAR, REGES, IMPIOUS:

When a Jesuit of the minor rank is to be elevated to command, he is conducted into the Chapel of the Convent of the Order, where there are only three others present, the principal or Superior standing in front of the altar. On either side stands a monk, one of whom holds a banner of yellow and white, which are the Papal colours, and the other a black banner with a dagger and red cross above a skull and crossbones, with the word *INRI*, and below them the words *IUSTUM NECAR REGES IMPIUS*. The meaning of which is: It is just to exterminate or annihilate impious or heretical Kings, Governments, or Rulers.

Today the Jesuit Order has about 19,000 members. Of the about 13,500 priest members, some have taken the 4th vow secret oath in which killing a ‘heretic’ is not considered a crime. The ranks of Jesuits are thinning; From 36,000 members at the order’s zenith in the mid-1960’s, to 26,000 in 1983, to 23,000 in 1995 [10]. The Jesuits are geographically organized by 91 provinces (61?), which each belong to one of 10 assistancies around the world.

The [Military Order of Malta](#) has about 12,500 members (excluding volunteers), and Opus Dei has about 26,000 celibate members (excluding volunteers).

The Vatican-Jesuit-Masonic crusades, up to our present time, show their criminal “full-spectrum dominance” doctrine is effectuated all over the world by:

War, genocide and depopulation (recent examples: Canadian natives genocide between 1880-1984, the “Vatican managed Serbian genocide during WWII” with an ongoing US court case, and the ongoing Shia Muslim genocide in Iraq with over 1.217.892 deaths)

Says Chris Putnam, further, “In *Petrus Romanus* we stated our belief that the name ‘Peter the Roman’ implies this pope ‘will reaffirm the authority of the Roman Pontiff over the Church’ and ‘will emphasize the supremacy of the Roman Catholic Faith and the Roman Catholic Church above all other religions and denominations, and its authority over all Christians and all peoples of the world.’

“This seems in line with the Jesuit agenda. Still more, Catholic mystic Ronald L. Conte Jr., who predicted in 2002 that the successor to John Paul II would choose the name Benedict XVI, commented on 3-13-13: ‘I never expected Peter the Roman to be Italian or Roman or to have the first name Peter, or to take the papal name “Peter”. So these points do not imply that Pope Francis is not Peter the Roman. The prophetic phrases of St. Malachy describe the Pontificate of each Pope, not his name.’

“According to Conte, ‘During the reign of Pope Peter the Roman, the great apostasy begins’ and this pope will mark ‘the first part of the tribulation, during our generation.’”

The Jesuits and Abraham Lincoln

The fact that Francis is a Jesuit is very meaningful and ominous. The Jesuits are the fundamental branch of Catholicism which militantly strives to destroy all opposition to the Catholic Church and its teachings and any threat to its power.

In his book *50 Years in the Church of Rome*, Charles Chiniquy declares how the Vatican attempted to destroy the fledgling United States and subvert it to Catholicism in the days of Abraham Lincoln. Chiniquy was a Catholic priest at the time and greatly persecuted by his own church and superiors he did not follow along in their trough of corruption and wickedness and oppression.

Says Chiniquy, "The Jesuits are a military organization, not a religious order. Their chief is a general of an army, not a mere father abbot of a monastery. And the aim of this organization is power. Power in the most despotic exercise. Absolute power, universal power, power to control the world by the volition (will) of a single man. Jesuitism is the most absolute of despotisms (dictatorship); and at the same time, the greatest and the most enormous of abuses" (The most monstrous hurt, injury and damage).

"The general of the Jesuits insists on being master, sovereign, over the sovereign. Wherever the Jesuits are admitted they will be masters, cost what it may. Their society is by nature dictatorial, and therefore it is the irreconcilable enemy of all constituted authority. Every act, every crime, however atrocious, is a meritorious work, if committed for the interest of the society of the Jesuits, or by the order of its general."

During the time of Abraham Lincoln, the master plan of the Vatican for the fall of the United States was under way. The Jesuits and Pope Pius IX were preparing to send French troops into Mexico under Maximilian to back the South when the Civil War began. At that time Chiniquy was part of Rome's land-grab attempt to establish a colony to control the breadbasket of Illinois and the Mississippi Valley. He attended a seminar in which the Roman pontiff's plans were laid bare to take possession of the United States using the utmost secrecy and wisdom, to bring poor Catholics from every corner of the world to America and put them in the major cities, and multiply their votes silently and patiently, while Americans slept on, till all elected officials would be Roman Catholic.

By the 1980s their plot was progressing greatly, to the point where 80% of Congressmen were pro-Roman Catholic.

In Lincoln's own time, the Papacy backed the Southern states under Jefferson Davis. History books neglect or omit these details, but they are fact. After Lincoln was elected President, on his way to Washington, hit-men were waiting to ambush him in Baltimore, but the conspiracy was discovered in time and he was secreted away on a midnight train.

In the Civil War, 600,000 Americans would die, brother fighting brother. Chiniquy warned Lincoln repeatedly that the Jesuits were trying to kill him. Lincoln told Chiniquy that Samuel Morse, inventor of the Morse code and the telegraph, had been in Rome and had heard of a plot to destroy the U.S.

Lincoln also told Chiniquy that something puzzled him: A great number of newspapers written by Roman Catholics were reporting that Lincoln was born a Roman Catholic, and they called him a "renegade" and an "apostate." At the time he laughed it off, but its persistence troubled him. Chiniquy replied that it was obvious the Vatican was setting him up. The articles, he said, were Lincoln's death sentence. Rome was attempting to brand Lincoln with the mark of apostasy, to inspire fanatical Catholics to plot to murder him as an object of apostasy and evil.

The Roman Catholic hierarchy was on the side of the South and wanted to destroy the Protestant North. Lincoln told Chiniquy, “It is more against the pope of Rome, his perfidious Jesuits and their blind and blood-thirsty slaves, than against the real American Protestants that we have to defend ourselves.”

In retrospect, setting up the assassination of Lincoln, Pope Pius IX wrote a letter to Jefferson Davis of the Confederacy calling him “the illustrious and honorable President of the Confederate States.” The letter meant that Lincoln would have to give an account to God for fighting against a man and government approved by the pontiff, the “vicar of Christ” on earth. This meant Lincoln was anathema, ex-communicated, because he was fighting against a government endorsed by the “infallible and holy pope of Rome.”

Subsequently, knowing of the growing plot against him, Lincoln went to the Ford theater with his wife, April 14, 1865, and was gunned down by John Wilkes Booth, an actor and devout Roman Catholic who cried out “Sic semper tyrannis” – “Thus always to tyrants,” and fled the scene. He was later caught and killed, along with other collaborators and fellow Catholic conspirators involved in the plot.

Chiniquy spent twenty years researching the assassination, later, and told the American people that “the President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated by the Jesuits of Rome.”

Now, today, the Jesuits are completely enthroned at the Vatican in the person of Pope Francis, the first Jesuit pope in history.

Why the Name “Francis”?

Chris Putnam points out that even Saint Francis of Assisi—one of the most venerated religious figures in history—gathered his devotees shortly before his death and prophesied that: “At the time of this tribulation a man, not canonically elected, will be raised to the Pontificate, who, by his cunning, will endeavor to draw many into error and death... Some preachers will keep silence about the truth, and others will trample it under foot and deny it...for in those days Jesus Christ will send them not a true Pastor, but a destroyer.”

Was there something uncanonical about the election of Pope Francis I? It seems arguable. For starters, Pope Benedict XVI simply retiring makes for an unprecedented situation. Next, the fifteen day rule between the vacancy of the office and the start of the conclave was circumvented in order to speed up the process. The two living popes situation alone supports a charge of one “not canonically elected.”

Pope Francis says he chose the name “Francis” hearkening back to Saint Francis of Assisi, who was noted for his poverty, humility, and his love for the poor. But as Francis is a Jesuit, there is another “Francis” in his pedigree – Saint Francis Xavier, one of the founders of the Jesuit Order, along with Ignatius of Loyola, a man with a military

background. Xavier was infamous for the Goa inquisition, which extended the European inquisition to the Indian state of Goa and the Portuguese empire. Some 16,202 persons were brought to trial resulting in untold numbers of executions by burning at the stake, as well as other tortures

The Amazing Mystery of Numbers

The biblical scholar and theologian E.W. Bullinger wrote an exhaustive treatise in the 19th century which has yielded some fascinating usages of numbers in the Scriptures. One of those very interesting numbers is “13.” The number “13” is considered “unlucky” in the world’s arcane imagination, but in Scripture it signifies “rebellion.”

Interestingly, the number “13” connects very powerfully to the new Pontiff. The numbers surrounding Pope Francis’ election keep coming up *thirteen*. White smoke at 7:06 PM which in numerology $7 + 6 = 13$ and he is 76 years old $7 + 6 = 13$ and then he was elected on the calendar date 3/13/13 which sports two 13s of its own but in numerology 3/13/2013 also yields $3+1+3+2+0+1+3=13$ and he was announced at precisely 8:13 PM Vatican time or in military and European time 20:13 making for 3/13/2013 at 20:13.

Says Bullinger: “As to the significance of *thirteen*, all are aware that it has come down to us as a number of ill-omen. Many superstitions cluster around it, and various explanations are current concerning them.

“Unfortunately, those who go backwards to find a reason seldom go back far enough. The popular explanations do not, so far as we are aware, go further back than the Apostles. But we must go back to *the first occurrence* of the number *thirteen* in order to discover the key to its significance. It occurs first in [Genesis 14:4](#), where we read “*Twelve* years they served Chedorlaomer, and the *thirteenth* year they REBELLED.”

“Hence every occurrence of the number *thirteen*, and likewise of *every multiple* of it, stamps that with which it stands in connection with *rebellion, apostasy, defection, corruption, disintegration, revolution*, or some kindred idea.”

This ill omen suggests the “many tribulations” of the Malachy prophecy could coincide with the apostasy of [2 Thes. 2:3](#) ensue but Bullinger goes on to cite an exhaustive list of thirteens and factors of thirteen including examples like:

Satan, in Hebrew = 364 (13 x 28) שָׂטָן

Satan, in Greek = 2197 (133) “That old serpent, even Satan” (ὁ ὄφις ὁ ἀρχαῖος... καὶ ὁ Σατανᾶς) 2756 (13 x 212)

“According to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air” = 9178181 (13 x 706)

“The power of the air” = 2600 (13×200) [\[17\]](#)

While we could go on and on (Bullinger does) with a long list of similar demonic thirteens, one verse in particular is pertinent:

[Revelation 13:11](#), The whole verse = 6318 (13×486)

θηρίον (*theerion*), beast = 247 (13×19)

ἄλλο θηρίον (*hallo theerion*), another beast = 378 (9×42)

“He had two horns” = 1521 ($13^2 \times 9$)

“And he had two horns like a lamb” = 2704 ($13^2 \times 16$) [\[18\]](#)

“And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.” ([Revelation 13:11](#), AV)

Do all of these thirteens add up to a coincidence?

Or to a dire prophecy and strong warning about the nature and work we can expect from the new Pope?

The biblical prophecy alone in Revelation 13 seems to describe someone like Pope Francis for two reasons: 1) the second beast “looks like a lamb,” with two horns and a lamb’s appearance – an innocent, guileless little lamb. But 2) he has the heart and soul of a “dragon” – and the “DRAGON” is a symbol for Satan, the devil, “that old serpent and dragon, that deceives the whole world” (Rev.12:9).

This prophecy points directly toward the papacy. Why not? Look at the true history of the papacy for a moment.

A Pagan Church

Of course, many of the teachings and practices of the Roman Catholic Church can be traced back to ancient paganism! Alexander Hislop traces the Catholic religious festivals of the mass, Christmas, Easter, Lent, Whitsunday, and others, back to the ancient Babylonians, and the arch-conspirators this side of the great Flood of Noah’s time – Nimrod and his consort wife, Semiramis.

Hislop, in his remarkable book *The Two Babylons*, shows with great exactitude the sources of much Roman Catholic doctrine and beliefs, tracing them to ancient Egypt, Rome, Greece, Asia Minor, and most of all, Babylon.

In fact, Ariel and Will Durant, in their epochal work *The Story of Civilization*, wrote of the growing, gentitized Christian church, dominated by Rome: “Christianity did not destroy paganism; it adopted it. The Greek mind, dying, came to a transmigrated life in the theology and liturgy of the Church . . . the Greek mysteries passed down into the impressive mystery of the Mass. Other pagan cultures contributed to the syncretist result. From Egypt came the ideas of a divine trinity . . . from Egypt the adoration of the Mother and Child, and the mystic theosophy that made Neoplatonism and Gnosticism, and obscured the Christian creed . . . From Phrygia came the worship of the Great Mother [Mary, in Catholic theology!]; from Syria the resurrection drama of Adonis [a pagan messiah]” (vol.3, page 595).

In fact, Will and Ariel Durant hurl the charge, “Christianity [as we commonly know it, today] was the *last great creation of the ancient pagan world*” (*ibid.*).

In 324 A.D., this revised, paganized “Christianity” became “recognized as the official religion of the Roman Empire, and a Christian emperor held supreme authority, with a court of professed Christians around him,” writes Jesse Lyman Hurlbut in *Story of the Christian Church* (page 73). He adds, “It seemed but a single step from facing lions in the amphitheatre to a place beside the throne of the world!” This was the age of Constantine.

Says Hurlbut, “It was two generations after Constantine when *images* began to appear in the churches; the early Christians having a horror of all that might lead to idolatry” (p.75).

The changes in the church began to flow thick and fast. “The ministers of the church soon became a privileged class, above the law of the land” (p.76). “The first day of the week was proclaimed as a day of rest and of worship, and its observance soon became general throughout the empire” (p.77).

Paganism crept into the church, and by stealth, subverted and overcame it! The teachings of Christ and the apostles became buried under an avalanche of pagan doctrine, holidays, rituals, and observances!

Says Hurlbut, “Everybody sought membership in the church, and nearly everybody was received. Both good and bad, sincere seekers after God and hypocritical seekers after gain, rushed into the communion. Ambitious, worldly, unscrupulous men sought office in the church for social and political influence” (p.79).

In a stunning expose, he says: “The forms and ceremonies of PAGANISM gradually crept into the worship. *Some of the old heathen feasts became church festivals* with change of name and of worship. About 405 A.D. images of saints and martyrs began to appear in the churches, at first as memorials, then in succession revered, adored, and worshiped. The adoration of the Virgin Mary was substituted for the worship of Venus and Diana; the Lord’s Supper became a sacrifice in place of a memorial; and the elder evolved from a preacher into a priest” (p.79).

The Great Whore

A diabolical persecuting power of the end time is described vividly in Revelation, chapter 17. This chapter describes the great persecuting Church of the end of days, led by the supreme apostate Church of Rome.

“So he [an angel of God] carried me away in the spirit into a wilderness, and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet BEAST that was full of blasphemous names, and it had SEVEN HEADS and TEN HORNS” (Rev.17:3).

Notice that this “beast” or kingdom is ridden by a “woman” – a harlot (verses 1-2). A “harlot” is a symbol in the Bible of a great false Church. It deceives all nations (compare Isaiah 47).

This “harlot” represents the great false religion that dominates the western world – a Great Religious Movement which dominates the Western World. Could this be the incredible reconciliation now going on between Roman Catholicism and the Protestant churches? It is called, “Babylon the great, *mother of whores* and of earth’s abominations” (v.5). She is “drunk with the blood of the saints and the blood of the witnesses of Jesus” (v.6).

This final Beast will be greatly influenced by Roman Catholicism and the Vatican! Recently the United Nations voted to give the Vatican full membership and voting privileges in the world organization. The influence of the Vatican is increasing by leaps and bounds. This church has shed the blood of true saints of God since its inception when it persecuted and martyred all those who disagreed with its theology and teaching. Millions were put to death during the Middle Ages and the Inquisition.

The Roman Catholic Church used the Inquisition during the Middle Ages to kill over 70 million innocent victims, whom it viewed as heretics and disbelievers – those who did not bow in worship and obedience to the Pope. *Fox’s Book of Martyrs* documents the atrocities perpetrated by the Vatican and its agents during this horrific period of world history.

Strangely, the “daughters” of this great whore are now returning to her fold, as evangelical leaders in Christianity are moving their flocks steadily towards a modern rapprochement with the Roman Catholic Church – the “second Beast” of Revelation 13:11-18 – the “beast” that has “two horns like a lamb” – that appears like a Christian body – but “spake like a dragon” – teaches and rules like Satan the devil (compare Rev.13:11 with Rev.12:9).

“So he carried me away in the spirit into a wilderness, and I saw a WOMAN [symbol of a church] sitting on a scarlet beast that was full of blasphemous names, and it had seven heads and ten horns. The woman was clothed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and jewels and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup full of

abominations and the impurities of her fornication; and on her forehead was written a name, a mystery: ‘BABYLON THE GREAT, MOTHER OF WHORES and of earth’s abominations.’ And I saw that *the woman was drunk with the blood of the saints and the blood of the witnesses to Jesus*” (Rev.17:1-6).

John was very amazed when he saw this vision and the power of the great whore. The angel told him, “Why are you so amazed? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast with seven heads and ten horns that carries her.” He goes on to describe the “Beast,” and then says, “This calls for a mind that has wisdom: the seven heads are *seven mountains* on which the woman is seated” (Rev.17:9).

Seven mountains? Rome is the city of “seven hills”! Alexander Hislop writes, “No other city in the world has been celebrated as the city of Rome has, for its situation on seven hills. Pagan poets and orators, who had no thought of elucidating prophecy, have alike characterized it as ‘the seven hilled city.’ Thus Virgil refers to it: ‘Rome has both become the most beautiful (city) in the world, and alone has surrounded for herself seven heights with a wall.’ Propertius, in the same strain, speaks of it (only adding another trait, which complete the Apocalyptic picture) as ‘The lofty city on seven hills, which governs the whole world.’ Its ‘governing the whole world’ is just the counterpart of the Divine statement – ‘which reigneth over the kings of the earth’ (Rev.17:18)” (Hislop, *The Two Babylons*, p.2).

The seven “hills” can also refer to seven consecutive empires or kingdoms that the papacy has and will control down through history, since its inception (see chart). These compare with the “seven heads” of the beast.

This is the same beast mentioned in Revelation 13 that rises out of the sea (of nations)! Notice that it is ridden by a “woman” – a harlot (Rev.17:1-3). A “harlot” is a symbol in the Bible of a great false Church. It deceives all nations (compare Isaiah 47).

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The seven historical revivals of this church-state world kingdom are as follows:

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| 1. Justinian of Italy | 554 A.D. |
| 2. Charlemagne of the Franks | 800 A.D. |
| 3. Otto the Great of Germany | 961 A.D. |
| 4. Charles V of Austria | 1519 A.D. |
| 5. Napoleon of France | 1804 A.D. |
| 6. Hitler/Mussolini of Europe | 1936 A.D. |
| 7. End-time Beast | 2015 A.D.? |

Hislop continues, explaining, “Now, while this characteristic of Rome has ever been well marked and defined, it has always been easy to show, that the Church which has its seat and headquarters on the seven hills of Rome might most appropriately be called ‘Babylon,’ inasmuch as it is the chief seat of idolatry under the New Testament, as the ancient Babylon was the chief seat of idolatry under the Old.”

In fact, says Hislop, “It has been known all along that Popery was baptized Paganism; but God is now making it manifest, that the Paganism which Rome has baptized is, in all its essential elements, *the very paganism* which prevailed in the ancient literal Babylon” (*ibid.*).

The Inquisition

Thus the widespread professing church did not transform the world; the world transformed the CHURCH into its own image and likeness! Administrative regions of the Church were modeled after the administrative regions of the Empire. Thus the church evolved into the “image” of the “Beast”!

Hurlbut concludes, “In the west . . . the church gradually usurped power over the state, and the result was not *Christianity* but a more or less corrupt *hierarchy* controlling the nations of Europe, making the church mainly a political machine” (p.80).

Of course, the most iniquitous episode in all church history is the sad tale of the Inquisition of the Middle Ages, when the papacy caused the deaths of millions of innocent people whom it regarded as heretics. Canon Llorente, the Secretary of the Inquisition in Madrid, Spain, from 1790-92, estimated the total number of people condemned to death in Spain alone to have been greater than 3 million souls. Some 300,000 were burned alive at the stake.

Says Henry Halley, “It is stated that in the 30 years between 1540 and 1570 no fewer than 900,000 Protestants were put to death in the Pope’s war for the extermination of the Waldenses. Think of Monks and Priests, in holy garments, directing, with Heartless Cruelty and Inhuman Brutality, the work of Torturing and Burning alive Innocent Men and Women, and doing it in the Name of Christ, by the direct order of the ‘Vicar of Christ.’ The Inquisition was the Most Infamous and Devilish Thing in Human History. It was devised by Popes and used by them for 500 years to Maintain their Power” (p.777).

After Martin Luther led the Protestant Reformation, the Catholic Church countered by instituting the order of the JESUITS, founded by Ignatius Loyola, a Spaniard, on the principle of absolute and unconditional obedience to the Pope. Its purpose was to counter the Protestant Reformation and reconquer territory lost to the Protestants and Mohammedans, and the conquest of the entire heathen world for the Roman Catholic Church. Their supreme aim was the utter destruction of all heresy, and

to accomplish this any act, deception, untruth, immorality, vice – even murder – was deemed “justifiable.”

There is an interesting historical footnote to the Napoleonic Wars. When Napoleon conquered Spain in 1808, the Dominicans who were in charge of the Inquisition blockaded themselves in the monastery in Madrid. When his troops forced their way into the monastery, the inquisitors denied the existence of any torture chambers. The soldiers made a thorough search, and found them hidden beneath the floors. The torture chambers were filled with prisoners – all of them naked, and many of them having gone insane. Napoleon’s men, repulsed by the scene, emptied the chambers and blew the monastery to kingdom come.

The power and influence of the Vatican has grown by leaps and bounds during the past fifty years. Today, the Roman Catholic Church is the richest church in the world, the most influential in the vast majority of nations, and even in America the Catholic tentacles have spread alarmingly into the halls of political power. Five of the nine Supreme Court Justices are Roman Catholic -- Kennedy, Scalia, Thomas, Roberts, and Alito. The Vice President Joe Biden is a Catholic. Congress is filled with Catholics. Rome has placed her minions strategically in order to gain power and control. Her stealth campaign has succeeded beyond her wildest dreams.

What does Bible prophecy say about this phenomenon?

The Harlot and the Second Beast

We read in the book of Revelation of a great worldwide political empire which will rise up in the “end of days.” It is called “the beast,” and is a union of nations with “ten horns and seven heads” (Rev.13:1). See our article in the January-February 2005 issue of Prophecy Flash on the “Beast with Seven Heads and Ten Horns.” This “beast” will rule the world for a period of “forty two months” or 3 ½ years (Rev.13:5).

After seeing this great beast rise up, John says, “Then I saw another beast rising up out of the land [itself]; he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke (roared) like a dragon. He exerts all the power and right of control of the former beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell upon it to exalt and deify the first beast [the coming world dictator!], whose deadly wound was healed, and to worship him” (Rev.13:11-12).

The second “beast” is a world religious leader. He looks on the surface like a “lamb” – that is, a Christian – but talks like the devil himself!

This religious leader “performs great signs (startling miracles), even making fire fall from the sky to the earth in men’s sight. And because of the signs (miracles) which he is allowed to perform in the presence of the [first] beast, he deceives those who inhabit the earth, commanding them to erect a statue (an image) in the likeness of the beast who was wounded by the [small] sword and still lived” (verses13-14).

This aggrandized papal power, according to the revelation of John, “compels all [alike], both small and great, both the rich and the poor, both free and slave, to be marked with an inscription [stamped] on their right hands or on their foreheads, so that no one will have power to buy or sell unless he bears the stamp (mark, inscription), [that is] the name of the beast or the number of his name” (verses 16-17).

This final end-time religious figure will be a powerful pope – at the head of a united world religion, all under the sway and rule of the papacy of Rome.

John says, “Here is [room for] discernment [a call for the wisdom of interpretation]. Let anyone who has intelligence (penetration and insight enough) calculate the number of the beast, for it is the human number [the number of a certain man]; his number is 666” (verse 18).

The number “6” is the number of man, or human perfection, created on the sixth day of Creation. The triple “6” of “666” is the number of emphatic, concentrated “human” power or perfection – the “trinity” of human perfection, or the “perfection” of imperfection! It symbolizes the acme and culmination of human pride and arrogance, dignity and aplomb, apart from and independent of God.

Says Bullinger in *Number in Scripture*, “But 666 was the *secret symbol* of the ancient pagan mysteries connected with the worship of the Devil. It is today the secret connecting link between those ancient mysteries and their modern revival in Spiritualism, Theosophy, etc. The efforts of the great enemy are now directed towards uniting all into one great whole. . . The societies for the re-union of Christendom, and the conferences for the re-union of the Churches, are alike parts of the same great movement, and are all making for and are signs of the coming Apostasy” (p.283).

The number 6 was stamped on the old mystery religions. The great secret symbol was SSS, because the letter S in the Greek alphabet was the symbol for the figure 6. When it came to 6, the Greek alphabet had another letter – a peculiar form of S, called “stigma.” The word “stigma” means “a mark.” Says Bullinger, “especially a mark made by *a brand* as burnt upon slaves, cattle, or soldiers, by their owners or masters; or on devotees who thus branded themselves as belonging to their gods” (*ibid.*). “Stigmata” or such “marks” are noted among Roman Catholic worshipers and devotees, even in modern times, as a badge or mark of holiness and devotion.

The number 666 is connected with Rome. Irenaeus, a student of Polycarp, who learned under the apostle John, understood the number 666 to be the Greek word LATEINOS, which means “Latin.” The official “language” of the Roman Catholic Church is “Latin.” Historically, its masses are all said in the Latin tongue. Notice how the word “LATEINOS” computes in Gematria:

L	=	30
A	=	1
T	=	300

E	=	5
I	=	10
N	=	50
O	=	70
S	=	<u>200</u>
Total		666

“Lateinos” also means “Latin Kingdom.” Papal Rome made Latin the official language of the Empire. It is still the official language of Rome. The Roman Catholic Church’s official canons, missals, prayers, decrees, bulls, blessings, cursings, are all in LATIN. Thus the name of “Lateinos” is branded on this church, as well as the number “666”!

Watch and Pray!

If the predictions of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Malachy are truly at their culmination, then the second beast, the one that rises up from the earth, who is called the “false prophet” ([Rev. 16:13](#); [19:20](#); [20:10](#)) or *Petrus Romanus*, has arrived on the world scene and has taken power over the papacy and the Roman Catholic Church. The Bible prophecies of Revelation are coming to pass before our very eyes. Very likely, this is the one who will lead the world to worship the dragon, and the image of the first “beast,” the New World Order Empire itself and its leader.

Keep your eyes on Pope Francis. The evidence seems clear as crystal. The verdict is still pending, but the evidence is very strong and there is little doubt. As Christ said of false prophets and spiritual wolves in sheep’s clothing, “You will know them by their fruits” (Matt.7:20).

Keep your eyes open, watch and pray, that you may be counted worthy to endure, and to escape the terrible things shortly that will come to pass. “But keep watch on yourselves, or your hearts will become dulled by carousing, drunkenness and the worries of everyday living, and that Day will be sprung upon you suddenly like a trap! For it will close in on everyone, no matter where they live, throughout the whole world. Stay alert, always praying that you will have the strength to escape all the thingsx that will happen and to stand in the presence of the Son of Man” (Luke 21:34-36, Jewish New Testament).

“But take heed to yourselves and be on your guard, lest your hearts be overburdened and depressed (weighed down) with the giddiness and headache and nausea of self-indulgence, drunkenness and worldly worries and cares pertaining to [the business of] this life, and [lest] that day come upon you suddenly like a trap or a noose; for it will come upon all who live upon the face of the entire earth. Keep awake then and watch at all times [be discreet, attentive, and ready], praying that you may have the full strength and ability and be accounted worthy to escape all these things [taken together] and to stand in the presence of the Son of Man” (Parallel Amplified Bible).

Is a word to the wise sufficient?