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Pope Francis Dedicates the World to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

This past Sunday, October 13, Pope Francis dedicated the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Tens of thousands of pilgrims attended the dedication mass and the Pope arranged to have the famous statue of our Lady of Fatima brought from Portugal to St Peter's square for the ceremony. Unfortunately, this consecration did not fulfill Mary's request to the Fatima seers that the Pope consecrate Russia, not the world, to her Immaculate Heart. Not that Pope Francis is any different from any of his predecessors in this regard.

However, in one sense, it might have been better not to do any consecration. By bringing in the Immaculate Heart statue and choosing the most important of Fatima feast days, October 13, the 96th anniversary of the great miracle of the sun, Pope Francis was in effect, telling Mary this is how it should be done.

On the other hand, for critics to point to this error as proof that Pope Francis is an antipope or even the false prophet, is totally hysterical!

The false prophet must carry out several important biblical prophesies and Pope Francis has yet to do any of these. The most important heresy that the false prophet will effect is he will "take away the daily sacrifice from the Prince", as prophesied by Daniel. The daily sacrifice is the Holy Eucharist. Daniel calls this the "desirable bread" (Daniel 10:3). By contrast, Pope Francis treats the Eucharist with great reverence. You can watch the full dedication ceremony on the Vatican YouTube site. I did not see any of the faithful, for example, receive communion in the hand.

One last note, if you can tell a man by his enemies, the anti Catholic bigots, Carl Gallups and Mike Shoesmith, at the PPSimmons YouTube channel, are loudly proclaiming that Pope Francis is the False Prophet because some ceremonial coins, minted by the Vatican, misspelled the Latin name of Jesus. Those coins have been recalled for correction.

In conclusion, the jury is still out on Francis. If he is the false prophet, we will know soon enough. He will be judged by Bible prophecy, not by some anti Catholic ravings. On the other hand, if he is the last true Pope, Petrus Romanus, then we can expect to see him shepherd his flock during the great tribulation and we need to give him our prayers and full support.