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the total opposition of the Catholic Church to such proposals. Your action item is as follows: Make as many copies as you can of this document (or buy them from Pauline Books), and distribute them to members of congress, parliament and state and provincial legislatures. Do everything you can to influence civil officials to stop the attempt to broaden the definition of marriage beyond that foreseen by the law of God. You may download and print up copies from our scintillating web site. This action item will assist in overturning the modern tendency towards deification of the state, where the state becomes convinced that it is subservient to no one, including the Divine Redeemer Himself. How prescient in this regard are the words of the great Servant of God, Eugenio Pacelli, Pope Pius XII, in his first encyclical letter, Summi Pontificatus. While you are at it, get copies of it and distribute them as well. Everyone, and most especially our legislators, needs to be reminded of one of the basic principles of the Church's social doctrine: the priority of the moral law over the civil law. Without recognition of this principle, we end up with the horrible disasters of the past century, Hitler, Stalin, Pol Pot, etc., etc., etc., and the frightening atrocities they were responsible for because they would recognize no law higher than themselves. The same error has brought us the legalization of abortion and now the horror of euthanasia, already legalized in The Netherlands from the age of 12 up. Maybe the day will come when we will have to bring the people responsible for the legalization of murder to trial for these monstrous crimes against the Majesty of God and humanity. To be commended in this regard is the Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute, under the direction of Austin Ruse. As a recent article in the Washington Times notes, this institute is in the forefront of defending the social doctrine of the Church on marriage and the family, especially the attempt to oust the Vatican from observer status at the United Nations and now its struggle against UNICEF to limit the input of pro life groups at international conferences and in the halls of the UN itself.

Next on the agenda of **Apostolic Action Items**: another document from the Vatican, this time from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the *Instruction on Prayers for Healing*, particularly the 10 disciplinary norms given at the end of this fine instruction (see page 11 of this newsletter). Again, make or buy copies and spread them far and wide.

Well that's about all the room we have in this issue. Please get cracking on these action items and thereby help in the restoration of the social kingship of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The hour is late but ultimate triumph is the Lord's. By the way, in the news lately this item: if trends continue by the year 2050, there will only be 10 million Italians left in Italy. Disobedience to the teaching of the Church is the cause. Let us be in the forefront of its defense!

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,

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