

During National Catholic Schools week please remember to pray for our school, our teachers and staff, and for a successful expansion.

Although I spoke this weekend about the Beatitude: “Blessed are the Poor in Spirit” as an interior disposition (of humility and openness to be filled by God) that leads to an exterior devotion and love of God. this interior disposition leads us to participate more fully in the Divine Life of God leading us to love of neighbor, and then of self.

With that said: I leave you with these quotes: **My reflection in red.**

“The idea of God being supremely humble, supremely gentle and affectionate, and making us his equal (fundamental dispositions arising out of his unconditional love) is distinctive to Christianity; though some religions address these characteristics in God, they are not viewed as the central essence of God or the core of our relationship with Him.”

**Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J.
from his book The Soul’s Upward Yearning**

Think about this: A Transcendent God, who is existence itself, humbled Himself and became us. For us Gentiles, God through His Son allows us (all peoples, not just Israel) to share in HIS DIVINE EXCHANGE OF LOVE. We really don’t get the gift of Christianity beyond all other religions. God became us so we can participate in His Divine Life. More this coming Sunday.

And...

“We worship God by external sacrifices and gifts, not for His own profit, but for that of ourselves and our neighbor.” St. Thomas Aquinas from the Summa

“Thinking of Mass as an obligation is really a backwards way of looking at it. Going to Mass is an extraordinary privilege. Instead of trying to decide when you have to go, why not go as often as you can.”

When we attend Mass we are taken up into the very activity, intercession, and salvific action of Jesus Christ for each of us in attendance. Talk about God giving us a share in His Divine Life and Love!!!

Our lives have meaning / We are not a cosmic accident.

Vivat Jesus - Father Vic Gournas