

GO TO JOSEPH

"The seven years of plenty... were past and the seven years of want... began : and though there was famine throughout the whole world, there was bread in Egypt. But when the people there began to hunger too, they cried to Pharaoh for food. And he said to them: 'Go to Joseph ; and do all that he shall say to you...'"

Genesis 41: 53-5

Australia is in a parlous state. With wars, earthquakes and disasters afflicting various of the countries of the world, we are distracted from the much greater disaster looming at our own doorstep, the systematic penetration of this derivatively Christian country by the poison of Mohammedanism. Physical evils, even the great evils of nuclear disaster, can be cured or circumvented in a few years. Metaphysical evils such as that of this false religion, cannot. Indeed, their evil effects may take centuries to remove, as the history of the peoples of the Iberian Peninsula show.

Since the installation of the Labor Party Government in December 2007, when the principle of rigorous exclusion of all 'refugees' but those who agreed to comply with the country's strict requirements of entry was abandoned¹, some 10,000 Muslims have entered this country irregularly by boat. The vast majority have been permitted to stay. The flood continues and, such is the lack of principle among those who govern us, a lack shared by large numbers of the population, it is likely to continue unabated. The violence characteristic of Mohammedanism has manifested itself already among the populace. The latest batch of illegal entrants has just destroyed the retention facility established at great expense on Christmas Island. The limp wristed sanction offered by the relevant Minister of the Government for this appalling conduct is that those involved may have their asylum bids rejected.

The South Australian Liberal Senator, Cory Bernardi, addressed the issue last month when, in the course of a radio interview, he said: "Islam itself is the problem. It's not Muslims." He was right; but he was also wrong. One is bound to be charitable towards the Muslim, assist him in his need, and wish him well; for the Muslim, too, was created in the image of God. But he cannot ignore the hateful religion the Muslim brings with him. Mohammedanism only exists through its adherents. Hence, it is not simply Islam which is the problem: it is Muslims also *because they are Mohammedans*.

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After St Mary of the Cross (Mary McKillop) had agreed late in the nineteenth century to the establishment of the Congregation of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, she would repeat to her sisters in religion, and to all who came to them for help, the admonition of Pharaoh to the Egyptians, 'Go to Joseph!'. But the Joseph she was invoking was not the last of the sons of the Patriarch; it was the son of another Jacob, he who became the foster father of Jesus Christ, Our Saviour.

¹ Cf. the article 'Pacific Solution' at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pacific_Solution

Catholic religious houses in past ages were wont to place a statue of the saint at their doors with the notice beneath it, *Custos huius domus*—‘Guardian of this house’. We who hold to the belief that the revelation of Almighty God to mankind is His Son, Jesus Christ, and not the ersatz and violent ‘revelations’ of Mohammed—we who are the remnants of Australia’s Christian civilisation, should invoke in prayer St Joseph’s aid now in this time of great peril for this house, our country.

“To thee, O blessed Joseph, we have recourse in our affliction and having implored the help of thy thrice holy spouse, we now, with hearts filled with confidence, earnestly beg thee also to take us under thy protection. By that charity wherewith thou wert united to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God, and by that fatherly love with which thou didst cherish the Child Jesus, we beseech thee and we humbly pray that thou wilt look down with gracious eye upon that inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by His blood, and wilt succour us in our need by thy power and strength.

“Defend, O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, the chosen offspring of Jesus Christ. Keep from us, O most loving father, all blight of error and corruption. Aid us from on high, most valiant defender, in this conflict with the powers of darkness. And even as of old thou didst rescue the Child Jesus from the peril of His life, so now defend God’s holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity. Shield us ever under thy patronage, that, following thine example and strengthened by thy help, we may live a holy life, die a happy death, and attain to everlasting bliss in heaven. Amen.”

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