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Dear fellow countrymen and countrywomen, I greet you with the words: Praised be Jesus Christ!

 Pope Pius Xll, on his birthday, June 2, 1947, in his speech to the College of Cardinals, among other topics, he demanded justice for families who had a lot of children: "In this day unending uncertainty, what must be the loss of the family, the natural school, where a person begins his future? From professional observers come the heart rendering news of the poverty of families, the young, and women. Generally tragic is the condition of these faithful families who were blessed with many children. In wartime, very often, when families have given lives there exists a lack of housing and food. God is not a fault here as the egoists and self-seekers would suggest. The fault is the lack of understanding, a hardening of hearts and the ill will of the neighbor. As a result, the heroes of married obligations have an impossible task on their hands. This heroism buttressed by God's grace they can survive the difficulty in midst of the blessings of children. But what humbling to the world that this state of things came to be. We cry to God for the quickest reprieve. We hope that our cross will make social awareness of this condition because the family unit is so essential to preservation of the nation. Nothing is more essential to the nation as a healthy family unit and the woman." And so by consideration of the appeal of the Holy Father, reminding us of the right of large families, we go to our talk entitled:

 "THE POOR - THE RICH"

Modern times, among other things, have given us a crime, shaming the human race: the murder of children! Despite its goals, the world did not have the awareness to call a thing by name; the massacre of babies was dressed up in a nicety called "family control." - and herein is our national shame, mankind, a husband and wife have taken upon themselves this barbarism, vile rules without a tinge of scruples of conscience. In our times, on the streets walk thousands of men and women in elegant, most modern clothes but they have souls imprinted with the crime of Cain and Herod. I'm not going to pull out dogma, physical and mental retardation to break the darkness, glacial hearts unbending human souls seeking only material comforts, living for themselves only and exclusively. Instead of long and pedantic arguments, I will serve up several very interesting and plain sayings taken from the silhouettes penned with the pen of Valentine Majdański. The first: "Immediately after "Kaczym Dołem" but already by the river stood, before the war, a smelter, a brick factory and a sawmill. The place was called "Huta." A battle raged there in 1945. The factories were in ruins. Many of the families that dwelt there moved out, but there remained quite a few worker families. There was not dearth of children but the heart was sad looking at them. They were bare-footed, in ripped clothing skinny, white faced; they stole in the vicinity, whatever they could; they were familiar with gambling, vodka, and tobacco. - Who told you, fools, to have so many children? - **the mayor insulted women from Huta, when disease or poverty at last forced those poor mothers to the community for help. This rabble wants children? - shouted from the wagon Mrs. Kluskowa, many times as she passed the place with her two girls. I would have shot dead the lot, because they're just arsonists, they will grow up as whores or horsemen - the crowds were screaming on the road at these poor little city dwellers. "My God," said the engineer Kocur, when they got of the carriage. - Our nation does not know what to do with it greatest treasure, with the parents of many children. How many of these families are ruining themselves in our town. How many families are that with so many children. How is the government and the nation help these families. How do we compare with other nations in regard to multi children families. For example, I was in Sweden this year. The budget was 3 million koronas. From the government agency they get 700 million koronas and that's was is the subsidy for marriages with children. Private societies also provide something. It's the same in Belgium, Holland etc. We need to help these families in Huta, everyone agreed- I already talked with our Pastor - said Mrówka - See elucidated Kocur from Huty, - today, the times are very different from those that used to be. Today, marriages, unless they have a lot of children, have them from good will. But, in times like these when generally a marriage has a few children, it is hard for them to live. That's the way we are - we! Other families can't help themselves. We have to help them. Even more that with a nation with small count of peaple like ours, every child is a treasure. It costs us a lot to bring up our children only because we have plenty of them! - in Kaczym Dole, those that have no children so nor have the expenses - noted the wife of Mrówka. We are bringing up our daughters and son as future mothers for the nation, for future soldiers, who are going to protect those who don't want children. We also are giving the nation more future workers who are more industrious than those who only have one or two children. When those working families from our community die, who have few children our heirs will take over our community and thanks be there will be workers for the nation. - As a matter of fact, today, in time of fatherhood and motherhood he how is a bourgeois, who is keeping comfortable and has two children because this type simply spits on the future of the nation, since in statistical terms it is known that the society benefits because the family will not die for a while - noted Broczka. If the nation of Poland still exists to this time, it is for the most part because, continued Broczka, in the span of its thousand year Polish history, polish marriages has quite a few children. Contrarily modern families have only two children, who turn out not as good, because they don't assure even survival of the nation since the society is lessened by the death of the family.** Two children marriages thrive only on the legacy of the former marriages which left many children**. A parasite, - but your right, Mrówka - said Kocur. - Many child marriages assure the nation life. That is why they are important to the nation. They and they only are citizen marriages. - In this day we know who is the citizen, and who is a parasite -according to that, we judge by the number of children we can manage and how to bring them up - commented the wife of Mrówka - Surely replied Kocur - that is why justice in the times of regular fathers and mothers is based on the fact that they have especially bit help with expense, payments, larger pension and a big help in everything in large families. Because the government is not for the dying part of the nation but for the living with many children. Another justice prevailed and was good in the times of our grandmothers and grandfathers, when almost every family had a lot of children. I take pity and my palm itches when I hear various grandmothers speak of reforms and justice, but they speak less about the more important reforms: about justice for workers who have large families. When I hear of such justice, then I will know that something's afoot to improve Poland's status and not that she will die because of two child families. At that moment, the priest walked in. He greeted all and said that he was returning from Huta. I already have a program. But I came for advice nd help. - Oh, and we were just talking about the poor in Huta, - Hanka Kocurowa said. - Why, do you call them "poor?" - the priest interjected. People who have children are the "rich" the priest added, wondering? -People who have children are rich even if they live in poverty, because today's young married people will die without have children but to our couples who have many children will possess the whole world. Did not Jesus say that "the meek will possess the land"? The young people looked at the Pastor with wonder because He just repeated their thoughts while the Pastor continued: We need to share everything with the Polish families who have many children or Poland will be lost from the lack of children, of the lack of future Poles. An enemy will come and take everything we value much and which we do not share with the poor who now live in marriage according to God's law and who suffer what they need with their many children. The enemy will take our possessions as a punishment, because of our lack of mercy. And for the idiocy of our intelligence which does not understand, what a family who has a lot of children understands - added the engineer. - And does a man who is a worker understand?- asked Srocka. - My dear people, said the priest, neither the Red Cross, or Social Care, neither doctors understand this... Kaczy Dół!! Social organizations and organizations of mercy have to ultimately help the poor who have many children so that they could feel that their being helped. Then there will be many of us. Then we will be powerful, with blossoming justice, in culture; blossoming with people but now there is a movement in our towns as in Kaczym Dole. The country side towns are dying because they do not want children, in the same manner as up until now that the citizenry of the towns did. Similar things are happening in other countries of white citizenry. The two child marriages are depleting other countries as well. It is true that the nation has a large population will not fade away quickly but will die slowly. Why is it that a two child marriage fares in this way in the world? - asked Piatkowszczak.- The reason is that having two children is progress, and no one wants to be backward. - I don't think so said Mrówka. - The principle reason is that people are more comfortable living with less children. Because, what's the difference whether you have one child or two? Every duffer can do this that is why people take askance over it. - There you go -shouted Sroczka. -Now I understand. We young men who want to have more children that two have to govern our families better than tje twp child families. Do you understand: we must think more. We need to earn more and be more economical, and so it is not permitted that we be drunkards and lazy or thoughtless, as those, who do not want children. Today, people want neither to work nor to think. They would prefer to play. It is also why currently the banner is "two children." The first is better since because when you talk children there is an argument and anger as if it were a political matter. I'll tell you another thing, said Mrówka. Long ago, the times were completely different. Long ago, marriages had the most children while in these times the families with many children are more self sufficient, more well managed, more thoughtful as well as pious. Because I have to admit, that if God did not forbid the shunning of children in an unmoral way, I would in my past marriage, as certain men did in Poland - Kaczy Dół - But faith and the church hold me to it. That is why in the times to come all hold on to their faith and will die sooner or later from the lack of children. Those will be left whose faith hold them and who have more children. It seems that God does now want the bad nations to deteriate the world. Long ago good as well as bad lmarriages had a lot of children and they lived next to each other. But now the Godless nations will die out from childless marriages. Left will only be nations who live by God's law. From them will come a New World. The New Epoch will rely on this. Contemporary youth has chosen wives who were against the propaganda of the dying of nations. Clearly these marriages live another kind of marital life than Kaczy Dół. We will have no children and will be alone - maintained the nicely dressed, but ineffective because those Kozodolskie married the wives of Mrowka and floiurished. Handsome men - said our ladies. You kill unborn children, therefore are criminals, and not gentlement and so your children re children of murderers, not gentlemen. We of the two-childrem marriages are poor and you with you multiple children will brting the towns to downfall, and criminal activity - the kaczodolskie men called out.** But advocates of a superstitious belief in the adage "two children" were added. Because our young farmers and their wives seeing crumbling the "two children" marriage , began work as precaution so far no one has ever worked. **These families supported each other as never before. Husbands, wives children, grandparents began family life well-structures. That which "Kaczy Dół" squandered on vodka, on parties, on fine clothes etc. our young families put into children and family living. The others died of their excesses. They hurt themselves with their excesses, ruining their health while here in these families the young men grew sturdy as forests. The youth fared well. While at Kaczym Dole marriages fell apart because of the nonsense, the homes here flourished. If you wanted to see fields like gardens, and to confirm what an informed, steady, wise Polish man, it would be sufficient to look in the barn, stables, barn, pigsty, the courtyard or the apartment, of the young, stubborn marriages. They were people, buildings and fields as if from another world. What happened here was what Mrówka said at one time: that whoever day wanted to delibertly have many children and rear them to adulthood has to work like noone else and has to be creative like noon else and has to know how to interrelate with families like his own. He has to think things out. He has to be pious land deeply faithful. Meanwhile in the continuing Kaczym Dole as usual everyone came drunk every week from the pub. As traditionallly every Sunday the youth danced away. As traditionallty the girls were less and less ashamed, wore scanty dresses and were short on brains. As trditionally whoever wanted to improve himself, he killed the children. Traditionally when one had more children, they walked in poor clothes, were hungry, stole, smoked and drank. Traditionally the homesteads fell apart and rarely was there new construction. If one or the other homestead flourished it was by avoiding having children; the price: the death of the town. In short, the growth depended on the steel will of the man. And so the homesteads survives but was old and dilapidated or new, but dying and smelling of liquor - Kacz Dół. "Dear Parishioners, a new pastor of a parish said from the pulpit. I went around and looked a things. What can I tell you? Here today, the biggest art is to follow the Catholic way from the time when they enter into** **marriage. Because only the very hardworking, industrious, thinking people will live according to God's law. Others choose to offend God by sins against nature, in the effort not to have children. Thus I will treat the parish as a weak, drunken, dying Parish...Kaczy Dół. Choose your way. Heaven or Hell here on earth and for eternity. My Dear Ladies and Gentlemen! Instead of Poland, choos the United States; follow the American Poles. Kaczy Dół and The Steel Will: Choose one or the other and you will make a carbon copy of what goes on in Poland, across the ocean in the fatherland. Who knows which is worse? The twentieth century has seen great changes in living. Despite that, in no century of history could be found such a animalification of man, societies and nations as in this century when paganism, faithlessness, and barbarism has taken over. Where is its worth? What does human life mean? What is the respect tiven to a woman, a child, or a elder. Divorces, abortions, murder in the womb of mothers, white washed words cover bad ideas. Here's the tiara that crowns the temple of the twentieth century.**

 Luckily one can finally detect a return to the path of Christianity. As an example I give France, which from some years ago had wallowed in a deterioration of social structures and now when it is preparing a new constituition and her laws will have a great impact on moral and religious life, and the fathers of the nations at the urging of French Bishops intend to implant twelve laws of family: 1. A law to lend stability to marriage because history indicates "the easiness and repeated divorces is a halmark of the deterioration of the nation. 2. A law in regard to pregnancies which demand public morality and the public recognition that the fetus is endowed with personhood. 3: A law regarding the unity of marriage which is hierarchical and demands the presence of a mother. 4. A law to respect of the mission of rearing the child - the home is the right place to rear children and parents have the right to chose a school for their children. 5. A law for care for the health of the mother to fight alcoholism and heavy labor during pregnancy in the work place. 6. A law to a just wage for women 7. A law for justice for the pregnant woman and protection of the family. 8. A just wage for the survival of the family; not the individual but the family. 9. A law regarding the stability of the family. 10. A law stating the family as the foundation of society and ultimately the nation. 11. A law for respecting the goodness of a family which should not be controlled but rather helped in its goals for the nation's existence. 12. A law governing the possibility of the family's ability to carry out its responsibilities regarding the Creator and the teaching of Christian principles in schools.

 I add the French Bishop's statements. "There was no unanimity in the Polish bishop's policy regarding abortion. The Shepherds are cursing mothers, doctors in the effort to stop abortions which are surpassing the World War deaths.

 A society in which the life of a child, is being erased cold-bloodedly and with stone hearts is destined for great suffering and eventual the vengeance of God and His justice.