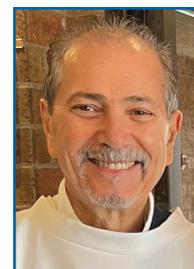




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WHERE HAVE ALL THE FLOWERS GONE?

Growing up during the 60's was an interesting experience for me, to say the least.

Phrases like, "Make Love, not War!" were the hallmark of a time when students took to the streets to protest the Viet Nam war, a seemingly never-ending war that took countless lives on both sides. The concept of "love" was expanded to popular songs (All you Need is Love- The Beatles), and the popular concept of "Free Love," Love/Sex, with anyone, anytime ("If you can't be with the one you love, then love the one you're with." - Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young)

It was a love "revolution" for we "baby-boomers," and at the time all of it seemed so right, until, of course, we started to age and found that "Love" wasn't really meant to be so "free," and some of the concepts we believed in back then didn't hold up so well over time.

In short, I'm sure that many, if not all of us, would do a few things differently in hindsight.

With the passage of time most of us came to realize that there are certainly consequences for our actions. Part of those consequences would include society's casual attitude towards abortion, and the creation of numerous abortive pills to prevent parenting a child.

I'm, of course, not pointing to any particular group, but rather the gradual acceptance that a "fetus," isn't actually a HUMAN UNBORN CHILD, leading us to a culture of death.

We've now come to realize the fallout of such thoughts and other actions that often return to haunt us in everyday life. It may surface as a form of addiction, broken relationships, or becoming distant from our Creator, feeling that we don't deserve to be loved. This is one of the devil's greatest tools, shame.

The sin of Adam and Eve continues to plague us with feeling shame for our shortfalls and failures. For this reason God gives us His only begotten Son to die for us in the truest act of "love," reflecting God's willingness to forgive.

During this Lenten Season we have an invitation to return to the Lord. He asks us not to "rend our garments, but rather our hearts."- Joel 2:13

God is extending His Hand...the time to take it is now!

In His Love,

Deacon Fred

For women and men who suffer and grieve from an abortion, take God's extended hand and begin your healing journey. His mercy and peace are waiting for you! Please refer to the reverse side of this flyer for information about our upcoming Healing Retreat Weekend.

Life Center of Long Island Post Abortion Healing Retreat Weekend

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