

Catholic Dignity
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Hello everyone and welcome to The Vortex where lies and falsehoods are trapped and exposed. I'm Michael Voris.

It's important to remember that when it comes to martyrdom of Catholics .. it is almost always at the hands of the state.

Yes .. there have occasionally been cases in history of individuals or small groups that were not state sponsored killing Catholics.. but those are exceptions.

Almost without fail .. it is the state that brings to bear its power to try and crush the Church.

Such has been the case throughout history .. from Caesar on down to Elizabeth I of England to the French Revolutionaries to Stalin to Moe Tse Tung and so forth.

When we look at the French Revolution .. much has been written and made about one particular set of martyrdoms involving to 16 Carmelite nuns from Compienge .. north of Paris.

When the revolutionaries pushed thru certain laws declaring they had to give up wearing their habits and abandon their monastery or abbey .. they refused. As a result they were arrested .. taken to Paris accused of being traitors and marched off to the guillotine on July 17, 1794 where they were each beheaded under the direction and orders of the Committee for Public Safety.

As they were lined up for execution .. they began to sing the beautiful Latin hymn Veni Creator .. the same hymn they had sung as they took their vows years earlier.

Despite various plays and productions and even movies which take license with a few of the historical details .. the novice of the community, Sister Constance, was the first to die, then the lay Sisters and externs, and so on, ending with the prioress, Mother Teresa of St. Augustine.

Their bodies were dumped in a mass grave in Paris where over a thousand other bodies were dumped and as a result .. so first class relics of the sisters have been impossible to positively identify.

The martyrs of Compienge offered their lives to the Divine Justice to bring an end to the reign of Terror.

In answer to their prayers, 10 days after their martyrdom, Robespierre .. the main inspiration for the Reign of Terror .. was himself arrested and beheaded .. bringing an end to the terror.

Inspired by the martyrs' story which became famous in France in 1893 as the cause for

beatification moved forward, a young Carmelite in Lisieux made her famous offering to Divine Love for the sake of the conversion of sinners.

St. Therese modeled her spiritual offering on their offering.

Considering the state of the Church, it would be wonderful if some heroic souls did this same offering.

We have attached a link to short document with a more complete account of the facts .. and we'd like to conclude this vortex by playing for you the closing scenes of a movie about these blessed women who were beatified by Pope Pius X in 1906.

ROLL MOVIE ...

GOD Love you,

I'm Michael Voris