

Recommendation for the November 2024 US Elections

Electoral campaigns thrive on the destruction of others' reputations, forgetting that we all share the frailties of the flesh. The most important criteria to consider are the principles each candidate espouses, rather than their personal failings. It is the principles they hold that determine whether the Common Good is sought or not. Considering the confusion among Catholics and others of good will, who seek to vote morally in the 2024 elections and who have requested our opinion, we offer the following, striving to be succinct:

1. Regarding candidates who either promote or tolerate the practice of human sacrifice, under the surgical rite known as "abortion," no further elaboration is needed, for the malignity of the practice is evident. Regardless of the degree of moral cooperation this entails for the voter, it invites Divine Wrath, as it is a sin that cries out to Heaven for vengeance.

Ps. 106:37-38, 40: "And they sacrificed their sons and their daughters to devils. And they shed innocent blood, the blood of their sons and of their daughters, which they sacrificed to the idols of Chanaan. And the land was polluted with blood. And the Lord was exceedingly angry with his people; and he abhorred his inheritance."

2. Regarding candidates or pre-candidates who neither promote nor tolerate the practice of human sacrifice but instead promote or tolerate other liberal errors, we turn to the words of Fr. Sardá y Salvany, whose work has been officially approved and even recommended by the Holy See through the Sacred Congregation of the Index since 1887:

"One incurs in true complicity by voting for liberal candidates, even when not voting for them just for being such, but for their economic or administrative opinions, among other subjects. Even if such a representative were aligned with Catholic teaching on such secondary issues, it is evident that on other issues he will speak and vote according to his heretical stance; thus, he who provides the opportunity to do so becomes an accomplice in said heresies." (Liberalism is a Sin, chapter XVII)

3. Thus, in the absence of candidates for whom one can vote without transgressing, we recommend abstention.

As don Álvaro d'Ors once explained, voting consists of two elements: an opinion, or personal option, and *an act of will*. This second element is not aimed at affirming the first, but at accepting the result of the vote. Voting primarily affirms that, even if one's personal preference does not prevail, one accepts and wills the result, much as one accepts the referee's decision in a sporting competition beforehand.

Voting, then, is not only an act of acceptance, but of adherence and cooperation, not only with a method, but with its principles and with its results, whatever they may be, fully and unconditionally.

Militant abstention, on the other hand, aims not only at the rejection of the result, but also of all the other elements for which, as an act of will, has a greater significance than the act of voting.

Just as ancient pagan Caesarism tolerated any form of worship stemming from personal preference, provided it was accompanied by worship of the Emperor, our forefathers chose not to partake in idolatry, instead professing the Truth. Likewise, we believe it is better not to participate in the Luciferian game that modern republics preach as dogma.

4. Therefore, we strongly urge supporters of the Holy Cause who, despite our recommendation, choose to participate in the elections or any preparatory phases, not to wear or use any of the signs of the Traditionalist Communion or the Carlist Cause. They should participate in error on a purely individual basis, refraining from using the terms of sound doctrine to justify their participation, so as not to tarnish the name of Tradition in the memory of future generations.

5. To anyone who finds themselves having a liking or even obsessed with any candidate or pre-candidate, we recommend including them in their prayers, asking Divine Providence to grant that person the grace of conversion.