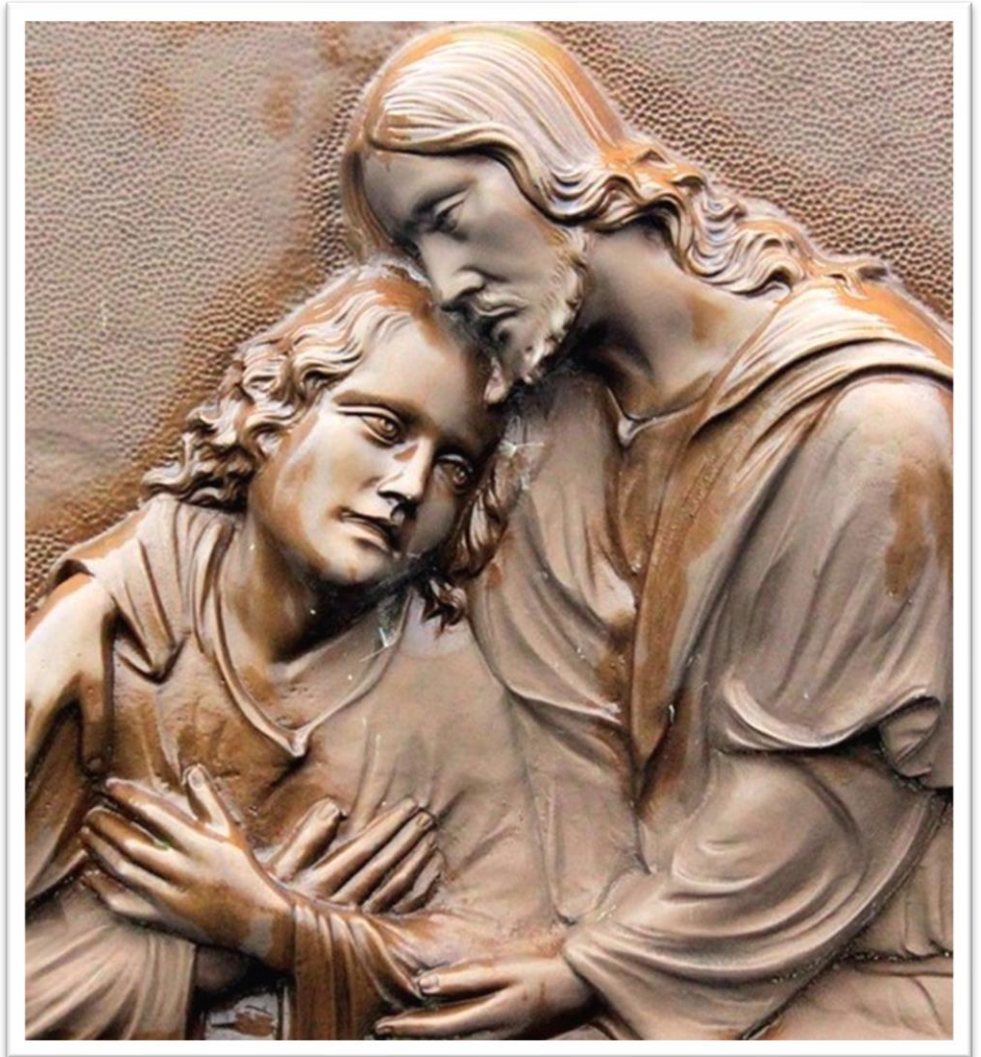




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AN AFFECTION FROM WHICH TO RESTART





Our “detector” by Julian Carron

“How well our “detector” works in us! When a person is looked upon with such tenderness that embraces the whole “I,” she realizes it immediately! [...] When we encounter a gaze so full of true tenderness for us, we realize there is an alternative to our self-hatred and anger.

[...] Only flesh, a carnal presence, can save us from nothingness, a presence that all our interpretations fail to negate, so much does it magnetize us, seize us, attract us all the way down to the core of our being, eliciting all our desire in the very moment when it makes us experience an unimaginable correspondence to it. Who would not want to be looked upon with [that] tenderness?”



The challenges of living in the era of nihilism

Watch the [recording of the The Challenges of Living in the Era of Nihilism event with Eugenio Borgna and Umberto Galimberti](#) (Rimini Meeting, 20 August 2020).

“I think that life goes on thanks to love, because a life that is not loved is a life that dies over time, and there are elderly that die not because they are old or sick, but because they are not loved by anybody... What matters is if I really do take care, if I really commit myself with love. Heidegger used to make a difference between “procuring something to somebody and taking care of somebody.”



Night prayer

L. O God, come to our aid.

All. O Lord, make haste to help us.

L. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

All. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Psalm 4

HIS PRESENCE FILLS OUR LONELINESS

Ant. I trust in You, Lord,

All. and fall asleep in peace.

Ps. When I call, answer me, O God of justice; * from anguish You released me, have mercy and hear my prayer.

C1 O men, how long will your hearts be closed, * will you love what is futile and seek what is false?

C2 It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom He loves; * the Lord hears me whenever I call Him.

C1 Fear Him; do not sin: * ponder on your bed and be still.

C2 Make justice your sacrifice * and trust in the Lord.

C1 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. * Lift up the light of Your face on us, O Lord.

C2 You have put into my heart a greater joy * than they have from abundance of corn and new wine.

C1 I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, * for You alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

C2 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit.

C1 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Ant. I trust in You, Lord,

All. and fall asleep in peace.

Rev 22:4f

R. His servants shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. And night shall be no more; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Responsory

R. Into Your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit.

All. Into Your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit.

R. You have redeemed us, Lord, God of Truth.

All. Into Your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit.

R. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

All. Into Your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit.

Canticle of Simeon

Ant. Save us, Lord, while we are awake; protect us while we sleep,

All. that we may watch with Christ and rest with Him in peace.

Ps. At last, all-powerful Master, You give leave to Your servant * to go in peace, according to Your promise,

C1 for my eyes have seen Your salvation * which You have prepared for all nations,

C2 the light to enlighten the Gentiles * and give glory to Your people Israel.

C1 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit.

C2 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Ant. Save us, Lord, while we are awake; protect us while we sleep,

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Final prayer

L. In Your mercy, Lord, dispel the darkness of this night. Let your household so sleep in peace, that at the dawn of a new day, they may joyfully awaken in Your name. through Christ our Lord.

All. Amen.

L. May the Lord grant us a restful night and a perfect end.

All. Amen