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Washington, D. C.

The title Vicarius Filii Dei  
as well as the title Vicarius Christi  
is very common as the title  
for the Pope.

J. J. Quasten

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R. F. Correia and Benjamin Mondios being first duly sworn on oath depose and say; that on March 5, 1943, Dr. J. Quasten, S. T. D., professor of Ancient History and Christian Archaeology, School of Sacred Theology, Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., wrote the above statement in our presence and signed the same and delivered it to us on the above date.

R. F. Correia  
Benjamin Mondios

Subscribed and sworn to before me this tenth day of  
March, A. D. 1943.

Dr. Joseph F. Flier  
Notary Public District of Columbia  
My commission expires Aug. 31, 1947

Handgeschreven bewijs dat katholieken de titel Vicarius Filii Dei gebruiken om de paus te beschrijven. Dit is een notariële pagina uit 1943. Dr. Johannes Quasten van de Catholic University of America in Washington D.C. schreef: "De titel Vicarius Filii Dei en de titel Vicarius Christi zijn heel gebruikelijk als titel voor de paus."

# Bureau of Information

Questions are answered, as far as possible, in the order received; hence those who seek information through this Bureau must not become impatient if the answer to their queries does not appear for several weeks after we receive same.

Why does the priest wash his

must twist this text, for reasons

age of Palestine in those days. In this language the sentence runs thus: "And I say unto thee that thou art *Kepha*, and upon this *Kepha* I will build my church."

When this sentence was translated into Greek why were the words changed? Why was one *Kepha* represented by *Petros* and the other *Kepha* by *Petra*? The grammatical structure demanded a change. The Greek word for rock, *Petra*, is feminine. To call Simon *Petra* would sound ridiculous to Greek ears. Hence to avoid the incongruity of referring to him as "she" the translator gave the name the masculine termination, *Petros*.

The words of Christ to Peter, spoken in the vulgar language of the Jews, were the same as if he had said in English, *Thou art a Rock, and upon this rock I will build my church.* Hence the change in gender in the Vulgate version does not show that Christ founded His Church on the truth of Peter's confession. Let us suppose Christ did refer to Peter's faith. When we say that the courage of a general won a battle, do we separate the general from his courage? If we declare that such and such a statue is a monument to the skill of a sculptor, do we divide the man from his ability? So, if we admit that St. Peter's faith was the rock foundation on which Christ would build a Church, what warrant have we for separating Peter from his faith? It was on Peter, as endowed with that "faith which fails not"; it was on Peter, the confinner of the brethren; it was on Peter, the shepherd of the sheep and lambs; it was on Peter in the concrete, that Christ founded His Church in such wise that the gates of hell should not prevail against it.

Almost every modern Protestant expositor of note holds that *Petes* is the rock. Those who

the supreme invisible head, Jesus Christ.

Is it true that the words of the *Apocalypse* in the 13th chapter, 18th verse refer to the Pope?

The words referred to are these:

"Here is wisdom. He that hath understanding, let him count the number of the beast. For it is the number of a man; and the number of him is six hundred sixty-six." The title of the Pope of Rome is *Vicarius Filii Dei*. This is inscribed on his mitre; and if you take the letters of his title which represent Latin numerals (printed large) and add them together they come to 666:

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Add these together and the result will be 666.

This "argument" was submitted to Rev. Ernest R. Hull, and answered in the following manner: "Almost every eminent man in Christendom, who has enjoyed the privilege of possessing enemies, has had his name turned and twisted till they could get the number 666 out of it. In past history there have been numberless beasts or Anti-Christa, all of whose names counted up to 666. I fancy that *my own name*, especially in Latin form, might give the number of the beast:

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*Quod erat demonstrandum*, namely, that Rev. Ernest R. Hull is Anti-christ, or the Beast of the Apocalypse!"

Perhaps a little ingenuity with your name will show that you are the beast of the Apocalypse too.

*Inquirer, West Lafayette, O.*—It is right so long as there is no law forbidding it. "Why do you think evil within your heart?" Personally we are acquainted with unmarried Protestant ministers who are held in highest esteem.

*A Worried Girl*—Mention it the next time. Don't worry about the past.

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**OUR SUNDAY VISITOR**  
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Dr. Henry Grattan Guinness, in *Babylon and the Beast*, said this:

An English officer of high rank, who in 1799 by a special favor, was given the special opportunity, while in Rome, to get a close look at the Pope's jewels and precious things, discovered thereby, that the papal tiara bore this inscription: 'Vicarius Filii Dei.'

When you take out the Latin letters, which have a numerical value, and which still are used to represent numbers, and which are: V, I, C, L, and D, these letters form the number given below. In these Latin words there are two V's, which letter denotes 5, six I's denoting 1, one C which denotes 100, one L, which denotes 50, and one D, which denotes 500, thus, V,V=10; I,I,I,I,I,I=6; C=100; L=50; and D=500, the sum 666.iv