

Tuesday of the Seventh Week of Easter

Gospel text (Jn 17,1-11a): Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, «(...), Father, give me in your presence the same Glory I had with you before the world began. I have made your name known to those you gave me from the world (...) and they received it and know in truth that I came from you; and they believe that you have sent me (...)».

The Son of God, sent by the Father

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Today, we can look into the heart of Christ and, stunned, marvel at the immensity of the panorama we discover on occasion of this colloquy with His Father. An infinite and unending panorama, for their intimate oneness soars back to... "long before" the creation of the world. For Christ happens to be the very eternal Son of the Father.

From the Father, who spiritually begets Him, stems as the eternally begotten Son. And from the Father also stems from time, for He has been sent to the world with the mission of "pulling us" from the world. This mission is like a continuance in time of His filial provenance from the Father.

—Holy Father, thanks to your love, your Son's filiation has been "extended" into His redeeming incarnation. I want to be your son through your Son. Let me be it, with the help of the Holy Spirit, Your Divine Love, which has been spilled in our hearts.