Saturday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

Gospel text (*Mt* 14:1-12): ...Herod had arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip, for John had said to him, “It is not lawful for you to have her.”...

There are no unfaithful loves! (About marriage)

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Today, we see the Baptist when he is beheaded for defending truth about marriage. Today also, the legislative abuses —that tag as "marriage" multifaceted affective experiences— disfigure the face of conjugal love, to the point that many cannot even recognize it. Human life is not an experiment, nor a lease contract! Only a really unadulterated fidelity is the suitable scope for the dignity of marital connivance and the education of our sons.

God instituted marriage is the place for total love between man and woman. The genuine measure of their love is "totality". All the rest is just “trade” (where there are no “life-binding” contracts nor demands of "exclusivity"). Only giving myself over completely, neither reluctant nor aspiring to a reconsideration/ termination, can fully respond to human dignity.

—Jesus, Mary and Joseph: do enlighten mankind to preserve true love, because to get married with the "parachute" of divorce, is not getting married; it simply is to deceive yourself.