**THURSDAY OCTOBER 13 – XXVIII O.T. [C]**

**Woe to you, scholars of the law! You have taken away the key of knowledge. You yourselves did not enter and you stopped those trying to enter.**

**Jesus completes his speech addressed to the scribes and the Pharisees with the last two woes. The first “woe” thus sounds: “Woe to you! You build the memorials of the prophets whom your ancestors killed.” Why does one build the memorials? This is an evident work of participation to the crime of their fathers. If one kills and the other hides, one is guilty of the same misdeed or crime each other. Instead, the work of evil must be openly condemned. No one must make himself accomplice of the evil of the other neither in an occult nor in a blatant way. Whoever does the good, whoever loves the good must keep away from every form of evil. Participating the evil of the others makes us guilty of the same thing. The participation to evil happens in many ways: with the works, the thoughts, the suggestions, the advices, the invitations, the omissions. It happens actively. But it also happens passively. Everyone must always beware of every participation both active and passive. Today the most devastating form of participation to evil is the omission in teaching. he omission in teaching happens for missed preaching, proclamation and prophecy, but also in the displacement from the objective evil to the subjective evil. This substitution has cancelled the own truth of the evil. The silence in the objective truth, of nature or of revelation, is collaboration with the universal evil and its facilitation. The other devastating participation to evil, the worst collaboration with it is the offence, the bad example. Nothing is more deleterious than an offence.**

**This generation is not only the generation in which Jesus is living. It is also the generation in which his body, his Church lives, in the history. This generation is the world and it is responsible *in solidum*. “This generation might be charged with the blood of all the prophets shed since the foundation of the”. This is the responsibility *in solidum*: the world is responsible of every sin committed by it throughout history. The subjects who fulfil the evil change, but the one who fulfils it is always the world. The one who fulfils the evil makes himself responsible of all the evil that is fulfilled in the world.**

**Let us read the text of Lk 11,47-54**

**Woe to you! You build the memorials of the prophets whom your ancestors killed. Consequently, you bear witness and give consent to the deeds of your ancestors, for they killed them and you do the building. Therefore, the wisdom of God said, 'I will send to them prophets and apostles; some of them they will kill and persecute' in order that this generation might be charged with the blood of all the prophets shed since the foundation of the world, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah who died between the altar and the temple building. Yes, I tell you, this generation will be charged with their blood! Woe to you, scholars of the law! You have taken away the key of knowledge. You yourselves did not enter and you stopped those trying to enter." When he left, the scribes and Pharisees began to act with hostility toward him and to interrogate him about many things, for they were plotting to catch him at something he might say.**

**With the second “woe” one reaches the utmost of iniquity, of wickedness, of evil, of dishonesty, of every other vileness. There is no greater, more horrendous, more abominable, more dishonest sin in the world. “Woe to you, scholars of the law! You have taken away the key of knowledge. You yourselves did not enter and you stopped those trying to enter.”. The knowledge is the mysteries of the kingdom, of the truth, of the righteousness. Knowledge is also the mystery of the Law and of every Word that has come out, comes out, will come out of the mouth of the Lord. The scholars of the Law are the guardians of this key. They are entrusted by God on opening the gate to everyone. Instead they have locked the gate so that they do not enter, preventing every other one who desired or desires to enter, to be able to access. With this action, one condemns man to falsity. Locking the gates to a man so that he does not enter the heart of God, the heart of his charity, of his love, of his righteousness, of his light, is devilish, hellish, satanic sin. There is no greater sin. Unfortunately this sin is not only of the scribes of the time of Jesus. It is a sin which every theologian and every teacher of the sacred science is exposed. Today we can say that this sin is universal. They key has been thrown away. The scribes cannot stand that Jesus acts as Teacher for them and unveils the falsities introduced by them in the Law of the Lord and their sinful way to exercise the ministry in the teaching of the revealed, divine, eternal truth. Jesus leaves the house of the Pharisee. The scribes and the Pharisees begin to treat him with hostility toward him and to interrogate him about many things. The purpose is one: plotting to catch him at something he might say. The purpose is of accusing him of sin against the Law, of the Prophets, of the Psalms and being their interpretation or teaching law more than the Law, it is easy to find an accusation. They do not know that Jesus is led by the divine wisdom. The divine wisdom knows their thoughts before they are conceived. She knows the intentions of men when they are neither imagined. She knows how to avoid every wicked and evil will. One can do nothing against wisdom. May the Virgin Mary help us so that we deliver ourselves from every falsity.**