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Democracy is always an unfinished experiment, testing the capacity of each generation to live freedom nobly.

~George Weigel

In the Church the transformative power of the Eucharist is experienced through the dignified celebration of Holy Mass, and people are empowered for mission because of that.

~George Weigel

The Church offers the medicine of the divine mercy so that healed souls can grasp the truth that will liberate them in the fullest meaning of human freedom.

~George Weigel

Freedom that lacks moral truth becomes its own worst enemy.

~George Weigel

The world needs a pastor, whether it knows it or not.

~George Weigel

The papacy is an impossible job. So the best thing Catholics can do for the pope is to pray for him.

~George Weigel

Ideas have consequences and bad ideas can have lethal consequences.

~George Weigel

In the Catholic view of things, abortion is a justice issue, not an issue of sexual morality... it is a civil rights issue, arguably the greatest civil rights issue of our time.

~George Weigel

[Jesus Christ to Pope Francis] is the Lord with whom he speaks for

hours every day in prayer. The Risen One who reached out, touched his life, and called him into mission.

~George Weigel

The Guardian,[is] one of the most consistently anti-Catholic newspapers in the world.

~George Weigel

A theological time bomb, set to go off with dramatic consequences.

~George Weigel

The most important appointment Pope Francis has made is the appointment of the Australian cardinal, George Pell, as the Vatican's financial overseer.

~George Weigel

There's an obvious investment in some media circles in the "narrative" of "the pope who's finally going to get with it."

~George Weigel

[Pope] Francis communicates the pastoral embrace of the Church, the breadth and inclusiveness of Catholicism symbolized by the Bernini colonnade around St. Peter's Square, in a powerful way.

~George Weigel

The impact remains to be seen; I don't think we can measure the enduring impact of John Paul II, for example, for another hundred, perhaps two hundred, years.

~George Weigel

The emphasis on the "peripheries" is also a distinctively "Franciscan" way of expressing the pope's respect for untutored popular piety - a respect, I might add, that was shared by St. John Paul II.

~George Weigel

What I hope my liberal friends (and I have more than a few) take from this pontificate is that mercy and truth are never separable in Catholic pastoral life.

~George Weigel

The people who are behind the curve of the Catholic future are the institutional-maintenance types.

~George Weigel

The pope [Francis] knows that the marriage culture is in crisis throughout the world, and so is the family.

~George Weigel

"You don't believe what you read in the papers about anything else; why do you believe it about the pope?" That's where I'd start.

~George Weigel

The dynamically orthodox orders of religious women will continue to grow, and the dying orders, which long ago opted for the lightest of Catholic Lite, will continue to die.

~George Weigel

Younger theologians will continue to pursue and understand truth rather than deconstructing it, as a lot of their elders seemed to want to do.

~George Weigel

The only future is intentional Catholicism, evangelical Catholicism.

~George Weigel

[Pope Francis] has felt the mercy of God in his own life and wants to share that experience with others.

~George Weigel

In the Vatican, if you don't get something new done quickly you may not

get it done at all.

~George Weigel

[Pope Francis] is 78 years old and knows that his will be a short pontificate.

~George Weigel

I hope ["reanimated the papacy"] means that the new interest in the pope evokes a new interest in the Church's teaching, of which the pope is the custodian.

~George Weigel

[Pope] Francis ought to be taken at his word when he says, as he has often done, that he is a son of the Church who believes and teaches what the Catholic Church believes and teaches.

~George Weigel

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