‘Excommunicate Me, I am a Celtic Pagan’

Your name, address and date

To whom it may concern

Declaration of Defection

I, was baptised at (place and date).

This baptism was done before I had attained the age of reason, before I could even talk or walk and was done to me without my approval or permission. I write this formal letter to declare that as an adult I have left the Roman Catholic church and that being of sound mind that I now embrace the Celtic Pagan faith. I am entitled to be excommunicated from the Catholic Church because I choose to be a Celtic Pagan.

I utterly renounce the teachings of the church including the virgin birth, trans-substantiation and the resurrection. I renounce and reject all blessings, benefits, graces, sanctifications, and advantages supposedly conferred on me by the Roman Catholic church. I am not a member of the Roman Catholic church because I do not accept any of its doctrines. I never contribute money or time to the Roman Catholic church. I am opposed to much of what the Roman Catholic church does and what it stands for. I believe that the Roman Catholic church is misogynistic because it does not believe that women should have equal rights with men. The Roman Catholic church funds and works for anti-woman legislation around the world. The Roman Catholic church is homophobic. The Roman Catholic church is pronatalist and forbids any form of sexual behaviour that doesn’t raise the birth rate / its membership. The Roman Catholic church prohibits sex as an expression of love and sexual activity for simple pleasure. Homosexuality is completely prohibited and is condemned by the Roman Catholic church with intense loathing and disgust. The Roman Catholic church is lobbying against civil rights legislation for homosexuals, and is attempting to influence its congregations to deny homosexuals equal human rights with other citizens. The Roman Catholic church is antidemocratic, authoritarian and intolerant and aligns itself with authoritarian right-wing governments and has historically allied itself with them. The Roman Catholic church actively supported the fascists Hitler, Mussolini and Franco against democratic people.

I do not accept the Roman Catholic church position on birth control, or on abortion. I do not believe in the prayers, the miracles or the theology of the Roman Catholic church. I am no longer a Roman Catholic. I reject the assumed authority claimed by the Supreme Pontiff of the Roman Catholic church and refuse to submit to him or those under him according to the hierarchy of the Church. I reject the entirety of the Roman Catholic church religion / faith. I do not want to be falsely counted as a Catholic. I condemn as monstrous the idea of original sin. I reject as ridiculous the idea of an atoning sacrifice and reject its presumed benefits. I am not an adherent of the irrational superstition known as the Roman Catholic church, which has done and continues to do irreparable harm to humanity. I have made a public renunciation of my forced membership of the Roman Catholic church and its dogmatic religion. No one may attack my character or personal traits or oppose my declaration herein in an attempt to undermine my decision to leave the Roman Catholic church and to live my life as a Celtic Pagan. My name may not be used in the records / official rolls of Catholics. I am no longer a Roman Catholic because I am automatically excommunicated because of my declared apostasy, heresy and schism.

I embrace the Celtic Path with Nature as the Supreme Being. I have as an adult spoken out loud the words of the Celtic Pagan Oath at sacred sites. I regularly attend Full Moon ceremonies and the Eightfold Year of the Sun ceremonies with other Celtic Pagans. I am a subscribed member of the Celtic Druid Temple, the state recognised Celtic Pagan religion in Ireland and by association I am a member of the European based international Celtic Druid Alliance adhering to the Ancient Primordial Tradition.

This is my truth, this is my choice, this is my life.

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date

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