Did you know? #3

VEILING IN CHURCH

I am going to open what maybe/could be/shouldn't be a controversial subject and I will do so with reference to an article written by a Catholic woman.

'For 2,000 years, Catholic women have veiled themselves before entering a church or any time they are in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament (e.g., during <u>sick calls</u>). It was written into the 1917 Code of Canon Law, Canon 1262, that women must cover their heads – 'especially when they approach the holy table' ...

'... but during the Second Vatican Council, Bugnini ... was asked by journalists if women would still have to cover their heads. His reply, perhaps innocently enough, was that the issue was not being discussed. The journalists (as journalists are wont to do with Church teaching) took his answer as a "no," and printed their misinformation in newspapers all over the world. Since then, many, if not most, Catholic women have lost the tradition. ... According to St. Paul, we women veil ourselves as a sign that His glory, not ours, should be the focus at worship, and as a sign of our submission to authority.



'After so many years of many women forgetting or positively repudiating the veil, clerics, not wanting to be confrontational or upset radical feminists, pretended the issue didn't exist. When the 1983 Code of Canon Law was produced, veiling was simply not mentioned, not abrogated, mind you, but simply not mentioned.

'Christian veiling is a very serious matter, one that concerns two millennia of Church Tradition -- which extends back to Old Testament tradition and to New Testament admonitions.

'The veil, too, is a sign of <u>modesty</u> and chastity. In Old Testament times, uncovering a woman's head was seen as a way to humiliate a woman, or to punish adulteresses and those women who transgressed the Law.'

The full article can be found here: https://fisheaters.com/theveil.html

The Traditional Mass is accompanied by many such traditions. PJC

Chapel Veils are available for purchase at a moderate price - see the noticeboard in the Chapel Porch.