

Shading the Glass Wall

As of Friday April, 18 J.Ratzinger will give a speech at UN General Assembly in NYC. He will elaborate on how women shall live under patriarchy - within the integralist momentum that the Vatican is trying to renovate - rather than demand self-determination. He'll turn down on abortion and on LGBT liberation. What he won't mention are the catholic community centres which bankrupted because of millions dollar compensation for victims of abuse by catholic priests, nor will he visit them.

The Vatican enjoys since 1946 a permanent observer position at UN and this enabled it to advocate reactionary policies at global level in various UN organizations, agencies and fields: environment, family, women, health, nuclear energy and culture.

Ratzinger's US visit will naturally be a chance for meeting G.W.Bush, a war-sponsor whose foreign policy Ratzinger sided closely in these years, up to the point of sharing a common position on the Tibet crisis.

Such is the support that Ratzinger is prepared to tribute to the clash of civilization, necessary frame of permanent war, while continuing to criminalize lesbians, gays, trans*, self-determined women and migrant women.

In Italy the Vatican is responsible of a generalized backwards look on social choices and policies, cultural and economic policies: resultingly, today the self-determination of women is under daily attack, while LGBTs have no public recognition – all the opposite they are experiencing growing politically motivated contempt and violence. Ratzinger's objective is to give this approach European and global circulation, through alliance at political (the US and China) or religious level.

Facciamo Breccia supports withdrawal of the Vatican's advantaged position at the UN.

As it won't take part in protest in NYC against Ratzinger's visit at the Glass Wall, *Facciamo Breccia* trusts the American movements will welcome him the very same way Bush is received during his European visits.

For information on the Vatican crusades at UN level, see www.facciamobreccia.org