



AMERICA/MEXICO - Abortion, euthanasia and in vitro fertilization: warning on behalf of the Mexican Bishops

Mexico City (Agenzia Fides) - The Episcopal Conference of Mexico issued a statement stressing that society now should no longer marvel at the violence carried out when unborn children are being aborted. "The many expressions of violence in different areas and at different levels of people's lives and society, should not be surprising if the lives of unborn children are destroyed by abortion", the Mexican Bishops say in a statement on September 9, where they also stress their rejection of in vitro fertilization. "Children should be welcomed respecting the truth of conjugal act, which is both unitive and creative and all means used to destroy this must be avoided", is what is read in the text of the Mexican Episcopal Conference.

"We believe that, according to the plan of God, children are a true gift and not an individual right of anyone," the Bishops add. For this reason, "technological assistance for procreation should always respect the truth and avoid replacing the logic of love with that of production". "Aware of the pain that infertility and sterility involves, we encourage the efforts of those who work to try to overcome these feelings, to find appropriate therapies that respect the value of human life" the Bishops continue, adding that when the end of life approaches, "Euthanasia is not a solution. "We believe that the only appropriate response to this problem is giving palliative care that gives quality to the life of a terminally ill patient". "The desirable end for life is to respect authentic human dignity surrounding the terminally ill with love and care necessary to relieve his/her suffering, and providing life support, so that one's life comes to an end in a natural way in this world". (AP) (Agenzia Fides 21/09/2011)