The Crisis in Catholic Men’s Catechesis. At the very center of the “man crisis” is the fact that many Catholic men don’t believe in some of the central teachings of the Church. Catholic men also lack belief in the importance of Catholic devotions and practices. Only 30% of Catholic men believe it is very important to have a devotion to Mary and even less (23%) believe in the importance having a devotion to the Saints. But until the Church acknowledges the man crisis, its key drivers and begins to take action to address it, there is little hope in stemming the losses of the faithful. To be clear, there can be no New Evangelization, without a New Evangelization, creating generations of Catholic men who are on fire for Jesus Christ and His Holy Catholic Church. It is strategically flawed to believe that the Church can bring the New Evangelization to the family without addressing the Catholic “man-crisis”. The New Evangelization Project has documented that there is a Catholic “man-crisis” that is widespread and serious. Fully one in three baptized Catholic men in the U.S. have left the Church. The majority (some 50-60%) of those who remain “Catholic” are “Casual Catholic Men”, men who don’t know the faith, don’t practice the faith and are not committed to passing the faith along to their children. Worse, the percentages of these Casual Catholic Men have increased. In Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and That Catholicism, that Christianity was that of chair-bottomers[8] and of the intellectuals they unknowingly converted to the people, as well as that of colonels—not all Ramollots,[9] to be sure—and of a whole host of good people who, while they loved to parade in lockstep to the beat of the Marseillaise in alternation with “Save Rome and France. In. This explains why he relies, in this respect, on people whom the Holy See’s constant policy since the turn of the century and the unanimous policy of the entire French episcopate until these very last few years designated to him as being the only safe theologians. The Catholic Church is facing its most serious crisis in 500 years. In these
last few months, a new wave of clerical sexual abuse revelations left the world in shock. From Australia to Chile to Germany to the United States, horrifying reports revealed thousands of cases of child molestation by members of the clergy. The church is bitterly divided between progressive and conservative wings. This split is particularly pronounced in the United States, where highly mobilized, neo-traditionalist Catholics took up Vigano’s call for Francis’ resignation. This branch of the church already feared that Francis presented a progressive threat to church teachings on marriage and sexuality.