Book schedule Father Flavio Placida

With this book Flavio Placida wants to propose to the attention of shepherds and catechists the figure and the catechesis of the Aquilean bishop again and to restore the essential and paradigmatic tracts of his teaching [...]. In this work Flavio Placida introduces a lot of data, which reveal a good knowledge of the matter and lead to a further deepening: he has been able to “make” some texts which are far in time “speak”- but which, properly interpreted and made actual, - can be still alive and valid today; he has caught their beauty and density (I am thinking to the famous Maria virgo Dei capax: Tract. 3). The reading of the present volume, written in a flowing and clear style, can therefore mark a first start to catch the originality of the catechesis of Cromatius, in continuity with that of the Fathers to him previous and contemporary; it also suggests the opportunity to distinguish between the catechetical methods used in the Sermons and in the Commentary to the gospel by Matthew; it allows to catch – in outline at least – valid points of contact between the cromatian catechesis and the present bearings of the Italian Church. In this book comes out the spirit that must guide the reading of the texts of the Fathers, joined to the will of deepening one’s faith and of renewing the ecclesial community; it is stressed the important role the catechesis plays in yesterday’s as well as in today’s world. Cromatius, therefore, offers also to nowadays’ Christians some starting points for reflection and is especially a bright example for everyone.

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