

Well now you will learn much more of the details of these Popes from Farrell(?). They are not the major thing in the Counter-Reformation. They were sort of an instrument. And it is interesting that the Jesuit Order is devoted to the supremacy of the Pope. Every Jesuit who gets a vote in the Order has to take his fourth vow which is a vow of absolute subservience and obedience to the Pope. But the Jesuits pay very little attention to what the Pope

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if the Pope is going to get along well, he finds it advisable to do what the Jesuits tell him, so the present Pope has a Jesuit chaplain and out of his closest advisers, about half of them are Jesuits. And the presence of the "black pope" in Rome is probably far more important in the conduct of the Roman Church than the presence of the "white" one. But the difference is that the white pope is the Holy Father whom all revere and idolize and put up on a high place, including the Jesuits with their mouth, while the black pope is almost unknown. He lives quietly in Rome and controls the church and controls it through the various means one of which is that the Pope's confessor is a Jesuit. Now of course the next Pope may choose not to follow the Jesuits, pay no attention to them, it's entirely possible but they have enough control of most of the Cardinals that it's very unlikely such a man would be elected and if such a one was elected, judging by past history, he'd be rather unlikely to live long. Yes? (Student question

Yes, the Pope has always worn a white garb - it's specifically for the Pope. The Cardinals wear red. The ordinary monks and orders usually wear black but the Pope wears white. But the so-called "black pope" is merely a nick-name - there is no such thing actually. But the leader of the Jesuit Order wears a black garb like

(2.25) and he, among the Romans for many years,