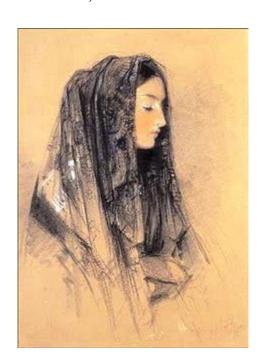
Wait... Before entering the church, remember (24x7 ... period) Fr. Jacob Nadian

"Holiness adorns Your house, O Lord, forever" (Psalm 93:5)

"I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above it stood Seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one cried to another and said: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory" (Isaiah 6:1-3)





"Every woman who prays or prophesies with her head <u>uncovered</u> dishonors her head, for that is one and the same as if her head were shaved. For if a woman is <u>not covered</u>, let her also be shorn. But, if it is shameful for a woman to be shorn or shaved, <u>let her be covered</u>... <u>Judge among yourselves</u>. Is it proper for a woman to pray to God with her head uncovered?"

(1 Corinthians 11: 5-13)



"In like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing" (1 Timothy 2: 9)

How about men who keep their hair long with the false excuse that they resemble The Lord Jesus Christ. They completely forget that The Lord was a Nazirite, a first born, as the Bible says:

"Consecrate to Me all the firstborn, whatever opens the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and beast; it is Mine" (Exodus 13: 2)

"For behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. And <u>no razor shall come upon his head</u>, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb" (Judges 13: 5)

After the incarnation of The Lord Jesus Christ, that requirement stopped, except for people who offer themselves as Nazirite to God. If this is not true, how could St. Paul say: "Does not even nature itself teach you that if a man has long hair, it is a dishonor to him?"

(1 Corinthians 11: 14)



Now, for those who impose their sinful opinion and stumble people in their way of clothing, let me remind you what God did:

"Then He went into the temple and began to <u>drive out those who bought and sold in it</u> (that means everything like your body, the temple of God, your principles, the teaching of your church, etc.), saying to them: It is written, 'My house is a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves'" (Luke 19:45-46, Matthew 21:12-13, Mark 11:15-17, John 2:15)

Priests must make sure that people follow God's teaching summarized above, as St. Peter and the apostles commanded:

"But Peter and the other apostles answered and said: We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29)