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IV. Excommunications after a guilty verdict [translating "after a guilty verdict" for *latae sententiae*] reserved for no one [I take this to mean reserved for no one else but the Pope]. [The following are subject to this kind of excommunication:]

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4. Those who neglect or culpably omit to denounce within a month Confessors or Priests by whom they have been solicited to sinful acts in any of the situations described by Our Predecessors Gregory XV in the *Constit. Universi*, 30 August, 1622, and by BenedictXIV in the *Const. Sacramentum Poenitentiae*, 1 June, 1741.

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Apart from those listed above, We declare also that those whom the Sacrosanct Trinity Council has excommunicated, with the power of absolution reserved in the Pontiff or Ordinaries, or with any other reservation, are likewise thus excommunicated; with the exception of the punishment of the curse [anathema]established in the *Decreto Sess. IV, De editione et usu Sacrorum Librorum*, to which we wish only those who translate [for *tractantes*] and print books on Holy matters without the approval of the Ordinary, as often as they cause printing to be done.