Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

(All For The Greater Glory Of God)



How many children will be sacrificed by this self-serving, corrupt hierarchy before the Pope takes action?

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Our Mission Statement

Roman Catholic Faithful, Inc. (RCF) is a lay organization, with many religious members, dedicated to promoting orthodox Catholic teaching and fighting heterodoxy and corruption within the Catholic Hierarchy.

Our Philosophy

While we accept the authority of the Holy Father and all Bishops in union with him, we will not sit idly by, nor blindly follow, while many in the Hierarchy allow the Holy Catholic Church to be torn apart and assaulted by the forces of Modernism, Syncretism, Heresy, and the gross immorality of some of its clergy. As parents and teachers, we will not allow our Catholic youth to be robbed of their Faith or have their innocence destroyed in the name of "tolerance", "ecumenism", "diversity" or any other politically correct ideology of the day.

We object to individuals or groups of individuals being given access to Catholic schools, churches, and Church property to promote any belief, teaching, or idea contrary to Catholic teaching as defined by two thousand years of Tradition and Church teaching. We expect every Catholic priest to follow the disciplines of the Catholic Church as he promised. We expect every Bishop to do all he can to safeguard the souls of our children by exercising his authority to ensure proper teaching within Catholic schools and parish religion programs. We insist that Catholic colleges and universities either teach the True Faith or cease calling themselves Catholic.

We object to any priest treating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass as his personal possession by adding, changing, or removing any part of the Mass on his own authority. Furthermore, we assert that the right of every Catholic priest to celebrate the Traditional Latin Mass must be recognized, and we consider it a grave scandal that such a right is not recognized while at the same time countless liturgical and theological novelties are promoted by many in the Hierarchy.

We will do everything within our power to undo the last forty-plus years of watered-down Catholicism that has been foisted upon us. We will not separate ourselves from the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church; we will stand and fight and demand what is rightfully ours. In that regard, we insist at this time in history that those in positions of authority in the Church proclaim loudly the infallibly defined dogma that "outside the Church there is no salvation", as that dogma has been taught and explained by the Church for centuries.

We insist that the Catholic media, especially diocesan newspapers, present authentically Catholic perspectives on social issues and current events and cease being used as forums for heresy and blasphemy.

We express our love for the clergy, and refuse to be silent while holy priests and nuns are persecuted by the modernist establishment holding power within the layers of bureaucracy existing in chancery offices throughout much of the world. At the same time, we refuse to be blind to the fact that a pattern of gross immorality exists among many religious, and that among their victims have been children, and that the Hierarchy has for years covered up and enabled these predators to attack God's children. For this we cry out to heaven for justice, and pledge to our last breath to seek out and expose these predators.

We acknowledge Jesus Christ as our Lord and King, and will fight for His social reign in society. We adopt as our slogan the words of Blessed Miguel Pro just before his murder by the Masonic revolutionaries of his land:

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Heavenly Father, we ask Thy blessing on our efforts. Show us the way to spread the Truth of the Catholic Faith in the midst of error and infidelity. Fill our hearts with authentic love for our priests, bishops, pope and all the clergy, a love that moves us to unceasing prayer for their souls and to constant exhortation to faithfully fulfill their sacred task of preaching the whole truth of the Catholic Faith without compromise. Grant us wisdom in our deliberations, courage in exposing error and corruption, and humility and charity in all the things we do. Bless our Holy Father with the wisdom and holiness to discern and carry out Thy Will, and the loyalty and fidelity of bishops, priests and all religious in helping him carry out this task. May Thy will be done in all things. We ask this through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

My wife and I thank you.

Stephen Brady

We wish to thank all who sent Mass cards, prayers, and well wishes after the death of our son Daniel. We also wish to thank the priests who provided Daniel with the last Sacraments and comforted our family. Your thoughtfulness helped immensely during this most painful time in our lives.

I spent the last week of Daniel's life at his bedside in the ICU reflecting upon how I may have failed him as a father. My work with Roman Catholic Faithful (RCF) weighs heavy upon my mind. Reality is setting in and the importance of faith in Christ and his Church is becoming oh so clear. Likewise, the importance of protecting innocent children from the infectious rot found in society as well as so many parishes and dioceses has been confirmed.

RCF was founded because of the lies presented to my children as truth by Catholics. Placing my children in parish religion programs here at St. Peters in Petersburg was one of the mistakes I made as a parent. It is very difficult to undo the damage done by those who pervert the faith while holding a position of authority in the parish or school. The example they set can be equally destructive.

Catholic teachers, school board members, and extraordinary ministers, through direct contact with my children or by public example, represented Planned Parenthood, birth control, abortion, and homosexual activity as something good or acceptable. Neither the bishop nor pastor would correct the situation or admonish those responsible. The scandal continued. When we confronted those responsible the situation for my oldest child became intolerable. Members of this "good" Catholic community either remained silent while keeping their distance or accused us of "rancor" for daring to demand an accounting. The Godparents of my son Daniel (now deceased) paid us a visit and suggested we leave town or at least leave the parish. The "love" and "community" spoken of by the parish priest and parishioners apparently only applied to those who tolerated abuses and lies. Hypocrisy and cowardice abound here.

What is a parent to do when you live in a rural area and there is no other parish? How can your children receive the Sacraments? How do you explain to your children that the Church you claim is the true Church is locally controlled by liars and perverts? How do you explain the Pope's inaction? Most Catholics have been lulled into complacency by soft, smooth talking, effeminate priests and bishops.

In this issue of AMDG I will provide you with a few more examples of how Catholic children continue to be placed at risk by "good" bishops and priests. These same children led astray at a young age will help corrupt the children of the next generation.

RCF update: Diocesan newspapers (the main news source for a majority of Catholics) are, for the most part, worthless and are best known for fluff pieces and generic news. The full truth is a rarity. For that reason, in the past 14 months RCF has sent out tens of thousands of pieces of mail to Catholics across the country.

The brainwashing of the faithful by faithless priests and bishops became evident with the few negative letters, phone calls and emails RCF received in response to our mailings. One phone call I received from a Georgia woman was shocking. I asked her if a priest should be removed if he was an admitted active homosexual attracted to younger men who spent hours at a time watching homosexual pornographic videos. She followed with the question; "But was he a good priest.?" I could not believe what I just heard. Being "nice" and "friendly", in the eyes of many, seems to be the only requirement to become a priest.

With the Georgia woman in mind we turn to the treatise of the clergy by Saint John of Capistrano, Priest (Part 1, Venetia 1580, 2)

"The lives of good clerics bring light and serenity. Those who are called to the table of the Lord must glow with the brightness that comes from the good example of a praiseworthy and blameless life. They must completely remove from their lives the filth and uncleanness of vice. Their upright lives must make them like the salt of the earth for themselves and for the rest of mankind. The brightness of their wisdom must make them like the light of the world that brings light to the others. They must learn from their eminent teacher, Jesus Christ, what he declared, not only to the apostles and disciples, but also to all the priests and clerics who were to succeed them, when He said: You are the salt of the earth. But what if salt goes flat? How can you restore its

flavor? Then it is good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled under foot.

Truly the unclean, immoral, cleric is trampled underfoot like worthless manure. He is saturated with the filth of vice and entangled in the chains of sin. In this condition he must be considered worthless both to himself and to others. As St. Gregory says: When a mans life is frowned upon, it follows that his preaching will be despised."

So-called "good" Catholics within the Springfield Diocese and across the country have made this crisis possible with their acceptance and silence. RCF would like the chance, God willing, to prick the conscience of every Catholic. With this thought in mind please send RCF any Catholic parish or school mailing list you may have. Or just write down the addresses of Catholics you know. RCF will type the information into a data base and include them in our mailings. Please include a donation to help cover our postage and printing costs.

The first mailing sent out is a post card that includes general information. The content of the post card is show below.

Roman Catholic Faithful, Inc. (RCF) is contacting you because Catholics in your area have asked for our help. By the time you receive this postcard we may have already held a meeting in your diocese. RCF is a lay organization, with many religious members, dedicated to promoting orthodox Catholic teaching and fighting heterodoxy and corruption within the Catholic hierarchy. You will be receiving additional information from RCF in the future.

Unfortunately many problems exist within the Church Hierarchy today including, abuse of children by active homosexual clergy and other clergy misconduct, theft of parish funds, abuse of authority, heretical teaching and more. Our website and newsletters contain more detailed information. You can also contact us for a complete informational package.

RCF incorporated in 1996 and since then have helped force the removal of two bishops and several priests because of their misconduct. The current hierarchy has a history of protecting abusive priests while ignoring the cries of the faithful thereby placing souls at risk. RCF exposes this corruption and thereby forces action by the hierarchy. RCF's work has been covered in newspapers across the country as well as in South Africa, Australia, Canada, and England.

If you have any information regarding clergy misconduct or abuse of authority, or know someone who may, please contact RCF. Also, if you have access to names and addresses of other Catholics in your diocese, please mail that information to RCF. Your tax-deductible donation is always appreciated.

Most Reverend Robert W. Finn, Bishop of Kansas City—St. Joseph "A good Opus Dei Bishop"?

Bishop Finn, 53, a priest from the St. Louis Diocese, is looked upon by some orthodox Catholics as a good bishop. This view exists in part because of his involvement in Opus Dei as well as actions he took once installed (May 24, 2005) as Bishop of Kansas City—St. Joseph in Missouri. According to a May 12 2006 article by Dennis Coday, that appeared in the *National Catholic Reporter* Bishop Finn "Within a week of his appointment he:

- Dismissed the chancellor, a layman with 21 years of experience in the diocese, and the vice chancellor, a religious woman stationed in the diocese for nearly 40 years and the chief of pastoral planning for the diocese since 1990, and replaced them with a priest chancellor...
- Ordered the editor of the diocesan newspaper to immediately cease publishing columns by Notre Dame theologian Fr. Richard McBrien.
- Announced that he would review all front page stories, opinion pieces, columns and editorials before publication."

Bishop Finn has also expressed support for a pastoral letter written by "Bishop Michael Sheridan of Colorado Springs, Colo., also a former St. Louis priest and friend of Finn, …that said Catholic politicians who advocate abortion, illicit stem-cell research or euthanasia or promote same-sex marriage and Catholics who vote for these candidates "may not receive Communion until they have recanted their positions and been reconciled with God and the church in the sacrament of reconciliation."

While Finn's actions mentioned above are a good sign, they do not necessarily prove the bishop is orthodox. The last two popes have appointed so many faithless, pervert bishops in the past thirty years that any orthodox action taken by a bishop suddenly makes him a hero in the eyes of many starving Catholics. Praising a bishop for being pro-life or defending Canon Law is equivalent to praising a mother for feeding her newborn. Bishop Finn may be a wolf in sheep's clothing. Read on to find out why.

It was the summer of 2006 when I received my first phone call from a parishioner at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nevada, Missouri. I was told of a situation involving the pastor, Fr. Anthony Pileggi, but was not given many details. The caller assured me that the "good" Bishop had promised to remove Father and RCF was contacted for information only. This individual wanted to keep the scandal quiet. "The bishop will take care of it."

It was October 2006 and several months had passed when I received a second call from St. Mary's in Nevada. This time the parishioner wanted RCF's help. They felt betrayed by their Bishop. Bishop Finn had removed Father Pileggi only to appoint him pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Raytown, Missouri. The parish in Raytown has a school K–8th grade. Parishioners at both parishes were puzzled as to why their pastors were swapped. No one knew the secret and Bishop Finn apparently wanted it that way.

Later that month Ron (an RCF member who works in our office) and I made the eight hour drive (ride) to Raytown to gather additional information before RCF took any action.

The trouble at St. Mary's in Nevada, MO began approximately 9 months earlier. A parishioner who had access to one of Father's computers found that he, Father Pileggi, had been visiting homosexual pornographic websites. One of the sites titled "boys first time' alarmed the parishioner. He felt it might possibly be child pornography so he contacted several law enforcement agencies.

The Missouri State Highway Patrol began an investigation of Father Anthony J. Pileggi. RCF obtained a copy of the Police Report # 06 058 003 001 Dated: 06/20/2006. While no child pornography was found and Father Pileggi was cleared of any criminal charges, some very disturbing information regarding Father's habits emerged.

According to the police report:

"2-a. Father Pileggi is attracted to same sex and has viewed numerous pornographic images of the same sex. He is sexually attracted to the same sex and preferred younger men. He gave the example that a heterosexual male of his same age would be attracted to a younger female the same way a homosexual male would be attracted to a younger male of legal age. He preferred to view younger male subjects because they look better. He considered himself homosexual or gay and understood it was not right in the eyes of the Catholic Church



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Raytown, Missouri.

and that he would have to deal with the church. He added that he hasn't had a same sex sexual relationship for several years. He has visited many male pornographic websites in the past to include..." (four sites were listed which featured young males, possibly teenagers, engaging in sodomy).

- 2. -b. ...He [Father Peleggi] does communicate with [name edited by RCF], a personal friend in Rich Hill, Missouri, and has made sexual comments to him regarding the same sex. They often communicate via the Internet."
- 3. I asked Father Pileggi if I could view the pornographic tapes that he had in his possession. He recovered the tapes from a bedroom near the rear of the residence. I asked him if I could search the residence for evidence of child pornography and he agreed. While searching the residence, I located a box on the top shelf of the closet in the bedroom that he identified as his primary bedroom. In the box were additional video tapes. All of the tapes were pornographic and all except one were male pornography. He stated that he had forgotten they were in the closet."
- "...Forensic Laboratory Report of Examination of Father's computers. "No child pornography was located. Large amounts of adult pornography was present, most of which was male homosexual in nature."

As you can see from the police report Father Pileggi admitted

to past homosexual activity, was attracted to younger adult males, owned a large collection of homosexual pornographic videos and spent a lot of time on the internet viewing pornographic homosexual websites.

Knowing this information Bishop Finn did remove father Pileggi as pastor of St. Mary's in Nevada, Mo and shortly thereafter made him Pastor of Our lady of Lourdes in Raytown, Missouri.

RCF felt that the parishioners in Raytown had a right to know the background of the priest who may be hearing their children's confessions and tending to their spiritual needs.

In November 2006, RCF sent one page of the police report to parishioners at both parishes and included a cover letter which stated in part:

"Once you read the enclosed information I am sure you will understand the need to write. RCF believes, as the Church teaches, in the infinite value of each and every soul. As a father of seven children I am especially concerned about damage that can be done by a priest who does not accept Church teaching and/or lives a life of filth. Any Bishop, who would place such a priest in a position of authority at a parish or school, is not fit to be a Bishop. He shows a complete disregard for the souls of the unsuspecting faithful."

One week after RCF's letter was received at both parishes Bishop Finn removed Father Pileggi and sent his own letter to parishioners which stated in part:

"It is with great sadness that I write to you today. As many of you know from letters sent by an Illinois based group [Roman Catholic Faithful], Father Anthony Pileggi cooperated fully with an inquiry conducted by the Missouri Highway Patrol last spring. ...Law enforcement found no evidence of criminal activity and doctors report that he has no sexual attraction to children or inclination to child pornography.

...As bishop, I take seriously any allegation of improper behavior by people serving in the name of the Church. In consultation with my advisors and Fr. Pileggi's doctors, I came to believe that he could serve the faithful of Our Lady of Lourdes. ...Now, with the release of the internal documents of the Highway Patrol, the controversy has been

magnified. Because of my care and concern for everyone involved, Father Pileggi will no longer be your pastor and will leave the parish."

According to the Bishop's letter it seems their was nothing wrong with appointing Pileggi as pastor of a parish and school as long as the parents did not know of his past. Would a "good" bishop do such a thing?

If your neighbor was an active homosexual who was sexually attracted to younger males and spent hours a day viewing pornography would you allow your child to spend time there? Of course not. But the "good" Bishop Finn believes that type of person is good enough to care for the souls of your loved ones as long as you don't know of his past.

Any Bishop who would betray the unsuspecting faithful in such a manner is not fit to be a bishop. Father Peliggi needs our prayers—Bishop Finn needs to be removed from office.

It is very difficult for me to understand why or how so many Catholics came to tolerate and accept such immoral behavior from their bishops and priests. Would they accept that kind of behavior from their children or their spouse? They have lost all concept of the meaning of charity and do not realize that they perpetuate the problem with their tolerance. If they are victimized at gunpoint they want the perpetrator in jail but if he uses a Roman Collar they embrace him. Can they not see the example that is set before our children and the damage that has been done? Where are the Catholic men?

Stand up and be counted. Send us your tax-deductible donation. Also send us the names and addresses of other Catholics in your area.

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Has Pope Benedict Betrayed America?

Many conservative Catholics have recently expressed their outrage over the fact that pro-abortion Catholic Sen. John Kerry was seen receiving Holy Communion at Bishop Donald Wuerl's installation Mass as the new Archbishop of Washington, D.C. Wuerl was also seen shaking hands with Sen. Ted Kennedy and Kerry during the entrance procession. Archbishop Wuerl has said he will not deny Communion to pro-abortion Catholic politicians such as Nancy Pelosi, Ted Kennedy, John Kerry, Dick Durbin and others. Articles covering this situation have run in many publications including a January 22, 2007 article By Ann Rodgers, that appeared in the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, the January 25, 2007 issue of *The Wanderer*, and *Lifesitenews.com* website.

What puzzles me is why so much anger is directed at Bishop Wuerl for doing what he has always done while no one questions the motives of the man who appointed Wuerl—Pope Benedict.

Back in 1996 when RCF was exposing the corruption within the Springfield Diocese (Bishop Ryan was a predatory homosexual) I was constantly reminded by fellow Catholics than Bishop Daniel Ryan had to be a good bishop because the Pope appointed him. Well Pope Benedict appointed Wuerl so he must be a good Bishop. Or did the Pope betray us?

The Vatican has long known of Bishop Wuerl's anti-Catholic activities. I know of one priest who hand carried information to Rome ten years ago. In 1996 *Mothers' Watch* published an in-depth article on Wuerl in their Summer issue titled: Bishop Wuerl's "Magnificent Obsession" (www.motherswatch.org).

Wuerl is not the only Bishop to betray the unborn. According to a January 26, 2007 Lifesitenews.com article "Edward Cardinal Egan, as archbishop of New York city, arguably one of the two most important Catholic prelates in the United States, indicated in a January 5 interview on NBC, that he had little problem with politicians, even Catholic politicians, who repudiate moral principles on such issues as abortion, euthanasia and marriage."

"The NBC interviewer, David Ushery, asked for the Cardinal's response to the pro-abortion stance of three of the most prominent politicians in New York, presidential hopefuls Hillary Clinton and Rudolph Giuliani, and ex-governor of New York George Pataki.

Cardinal Egan responded, "They're all friends of mine."
"Governor Pataki's a friend of mine, Mayor Giuliani's a friend
of mine, Senator Clinton is a friend of mine and whomever else you
want to name."

The Cardinal added, "I think I'm a good friend of all three of these people, whom you've mentioned or whom I've mentioned. And I wish them all the best, and they've been very good to us. And I will vote, I assure you, right here in New York, and that will be one vote. I won't ask you to vote the way I think you ought to vote."

For decades the Vatican and American hierarchies have paid lip service to the evil of abortion but their actions have never matched their words. Here in my own diocese of Springfield, Illinois, Bishop George Lucas has allowed Rabbi Barry Marks to speak at the Cathedral knowing that the Rabbi is on Planned Parenthood's clergy Board and publicly endorses and promotes abortion on demand.

We have abortion in this country only because of our Bishops cowardly inaction. They cannot believe abortion is murder as the Church teaches. If they did, they could not allow these pro-abortion politicians (their friends) to receive the Sacraments. How can you say you are a good friend of someone who makes murder legal? Tell the dead babies that the person who made their death possible is "my good friend." It is time to place blame where the buck stops. The Pope appoints the faithless bishops and only the Pope can remove a bishop.

It is time to stop sending any money to the Vatican or your diocese until clear and convincing action is taken to defend the most defenseless, the unborn. Fifty million dead babies should so outrage our bishops that a pro-abortion politician would not dare enter a Catholic Church. What is it about babies that makes our bishops feel no compassion for them?

Stephen Brady, President Roman Catholic Faithful, Inc. www.rcf.org

L'Affaire Wielgus and the Third Secret

by Christopher A. Ferrara

Now that Bishop Stanislaw Wielgus has resigned from the position of Archbishop of Warsaw, to which Pope Benedict had elevated him only days before, it is appropriate to ask: Why on earth did the Pope *deliberately* approve the elevation of a known collaborator with the communists?

Yes, deliberately. For as Wielgus himself admits in his letter of January 6, 2007 to the people of the Archdiocese of Warsaw, he delayed acceptance of his nomination in order to present "my life history to the Holy Father and the appropriate dicasteries of the Holy See, including this part of my past which comprised being entangled in the contacts with the secret services of the past times, operating under the conditions of a totalitarian state, hostile towards the Church."

They all *knew*, and the Pope himself knew, that Wielgus has betrayed the Church while so many of his Polish confreres had remained loyal. Yet he was elevated above all the others, without even a confession of guilt. Quite the contrary, as Wielgus admits in the same letter: "I have harmed Her [the Church] again in the recent days when, in the face of a frantic media campaign, I denied the facts of this collaboration." That is, when the truth came out in the press, *he lied about it* in order to save his nomination.

And the Vatican defended him in his lies. As attorney and author Robert Miller notes in a piece in *First Things* (January 9, 2007): "Wielgus denied the allegations, and the Holy See and the Polish bishops backed him up. ... In defending Wielgus, the Vatican Press Office stated: 'The Holy See, in choosing to appoint the new metropolitan archbishop of Warsaw, took into consideration *all the circumstances of his life*, including those regarding his past. This means that the Holy See nourishes complete trust in Archbishop Stanislaw Wielgus and, *in full awareness*, has entrusted him with the mission of pastor of the Archdiocese of Warsaw."

Only when Wielgus' position became totally untenable did the Vatican finally ask for and accept his resignation — literally hours before

his installation as Archbishop. But, as Miller notes, the plot thickens. Miller reports that according to Cardinal Giovanni Battista Re, the Prefect of the Congregation for Bishops, "when Archbishop Wielgus was nominated, we did not know anything about his collaboration with the secret service." Miller writes that "This, of course, flatly contradicts Wielgus' admission and apology [in his letter of January 6th], which expressly and repeatedly said that Wielgus had fully disclosed his past activities to the Holy Father and the appropriate Vatican dicasteries, which had to include the Congregation for Bishops."

But perhaps Miller has missed a subtle reservation here: As Wielgus states in his January 6th letter, he delayed *acceptance* of his nomination in order to disclose the details of his communist collaboration. Thus, technically speaking, it could be true that at the precise moment of the nomination the Congregation for Bishops did not know all the details. But it did know very soon thereafter, as Wielgus himself reveals. Thus, Archbishop Re is, to put it diplomatically, being rather clever here.

And so it was, we can reasonably assume, with the Third Secret of Fatima. As Antonio Socci concludes in his book "The Fourth Secret of Fatima," the Vatican evidently decided to "reveal" indirectly in papal sermons the words of the Virgin of Fatima comprising part of the Third Secret. This "revelation" consisted in John Paul II's linkage of Chapter 12 of the Book of the Apocalypse to the Message of Fatima. Thus the Vatican can now say, technically, that "everything" concerning the Third Secret has been revealed, just as Cardinal Re could say, technically, that nothing was known of Wielgus' communist past at the precise moment he was nominated.

Such technical evasions are, of course, deceptions that conceal the whole truth. But as l'affaire Wielgus shows us, the Vatican apparatus is quite willing to engage in such deceptions. Here we must remember that the promises of Our Lord concerning the indefectibility of His Church did not extend to the integrity of her individual members, including those who occupy high offices in the Vatican bureaucracy. We have, therefore, every reason to suspect that the Vatican knows more than it is saying concerning the Third Secret of Fatima.

http://www.fatimaperspectives.com/latest/perspective529.asp

"Future of the Catholic church"

"Future of the Catholic church" is the title of a recently published article by Congressional Quarterly, Inc. The CQ issue Volume 17, Number3 can be found at www.cqresearcher.com

As part of the issue I agreed to provide 400 words arguing that homosexuals were the leading cause of the sexual abuse crisis within the Church. My argument is printed below.

"Many members of the media as well as the Catholic hierarchy have mistakenly used the word pedophilia to describe the church's sexual-abuse crisis. In fact, pedophilia (sexual abuse by adults of prepubertal children) is lower among Catholic clergy than among the general male population, according to a study commissioned by church bishops. However, the study noted, "Hebephilia (sexual abuse by adults of post-pubertal children) is much more common among Catholic clergy than in the general population." (The study was conducted by the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City and is available on the bishops' Web site.)

The study pointed out that 81 percent of the abuse cases were homosexual in nature. Robert Bennett, who was former President Bill Clinton's personal attorney and who served on the Catholic Bishops' Review Board, agreed that the crisis "was of a homosexual nature." If, as in the general population, homosexuals represent less than 10 percent of Catholic priests, then the 81 percent figure is compounded tenfold by the fact that the majority of abuse was perpetrated by a group that represents less than 10 percent of the priesthood population. Had homosexuals not been ordained, the vast majority of the abuse cases would have never occurred.

Psychiatrist Richard Fitzgibbons of the Catholic Medical Association told a reporter for the Vatican news organization Zenit that the bishops' study "has revealed clearly that the crisis in the church is not one of pedophilia, but of homosexuality. The primary victims have not been children, but adolescent males."

The sexual-abuse crisis would not have reached such proportions had the bishops acted responsibly by keeping homosexuals out of

the priesthood and removing any priest who dared to molest a child.

The church, through documents, teachings and various statements from "Doctors of the Church," has consistently held the position that homosexuals should not be ordained because of the danger they represent. One such document was promulgated Feb. 2, 1961, by the Vatican's Sacred Congregation for Religious. It stated in part: "Advancement to religious vows and ordination should be barred to those who are afflicted with evil tendencies to homosexuality or pederasty, since for them the common life and the priestly ministry would constitute serious dangers." (The document is available in English in the Canon Law Digest, Volume V, Bruce Publishing Co. (1963), pp. 452-486.)" *Stephen Brady*

McCarrick's Parting Words

By Kenneth J. Wolfe

June 9, 2006

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The country's most media-hungry bishop couldn't let his retirement get in the way of some last-minute destruction to the Church. As the U.S. Senate rejected a constitutional amendment on June 7 prohibiting homosexual "marriage," Theodore Cardinal McCarrick took to the airwaves to promote homosexual civil unions.

Interviewed by Wolf Blitzer on CNN, McCarrick called oneman, one-woman marriage "ideal," but said: "If you can't meet that ideal, if there are people who for one reason or another just cannot do that or feel they cannot do that, then in order to protect their right to take care of each other, in order to take care of their right to have visitation in a hospital or something like that, I think that you could allow, not the ideal, but you could allow for that for a civil union."

What logic. Liberals use it all the time to apply it to abortion, drug needles and divorce. Lest anyone believe this was a one-time slip of the tongue, think again.

On Tuesday, May 9, this writer attended a "Theology on Tap" lecture in Washington where McCarrick was the featured speaker. At the Irish bar where the event was held, the archbishop of Washington was asked about the current debate over condom use when one married person has AIDS. In a room with hundreds of 20- and 30-something single Catholics, His Eminence emphatically declared it was completely permissible for such condom use. No questions. No ambiguity.

Was the issue merely one under consideration, proposed by a liberal prelate in Italy, the aptly named Cardinal Martini? Yes. But that didn't matter to Theodore McCarrick. The message young folks at that Theology on Tap heard on that Tuesday evening was: Condoms: okay.

Finally, it wouldn't be a Cardinal McCarrick story without reminding readers about his leadership in the Communion debate during the presidential election. Coming to militantly pro-abortion Senator John Kerry's defense, McCarrick chastised clergy who thought the sacrament should be withheld from Kerry until he repented of his murderous ways. Saying he didn't favor a confrontation at the "altar rail," even though one has to look awfully hard for such a rail (and it would be unused anyway at a novus ordo), McCarrick was one of two men who vocally opposed punishing pro-abortion politicians who claim to be Catholic. The other leading man was Pittsburgh Bishop Donald Wuerl, selected by Benedict XVI to replace McCarrick as archbishop of Washington, D.C.

As we mark the Ember Days this Pentecost week, we can only pray for holy men to enter the seminary and replace the crop of cockle still infesting the Church. With each passing day, more Catholic minds get confused as a result of the heresy spewed from shepherds working to destroy the Church from within. This Catholic, for one, will cringe on Trinity Sunday when the name "Theodorus" is invoked in the Canon of the Mass.

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The Cover-Up Continues. An Opportunity to Regain Trust is Lost.

On August 2, 2006 Bishop George Lucas of the Spring-field Diocese in Illinois held a press conference releasing the results of his 18-month investigation of clergy misconduct within the Diocese. A complete copy of report is available at www.dio.org or by contacting RCF. Lucas began this investigation once he learned that one Thomas Munoz had contacted RCF with allegations of clergy misconduct.

What is most noticeable in this report by the diocese is that the Bishop never uses the words *homosexual* or *sin*. The problem of homosexual clergy is never addressed.

The first paragraph of the report contained the following:

A Diocese of Good Priests

...the probe revealed former Bishop Daniel Ryan engaged in improper sexual conduct and used his office to conceal his activities. The investigation found a culture of secrecy fostered under Bishop Ryan's leadership which discouraged faithful priests from coming forward with information about misconduct. The actions of Bishop Ryan no doubt were harmful and seriously eroded the trust of parishioners and the community at large...

The sexual misconduct mentioned includes Bishop Daniel Ryan sodomizing teenage boys he picked up off the street. In some cases he would hear the boys' confession in order to ease their young consciences. This information was made available to Cardinal Francis George of Chicago in 1997 and to Bishop George Lucas in 1999. Neither showed concern for victims or took action until the Roman Catholic Faithful (RCF) repeatedly – for more than ten years – made this issue public through mass mailings and our publications. Both men continued the culture of secrecy fostered under Bishop Ryan. The information gathered by RCF was taken to Rome *in 1998* by Father John Hardon (RIP). RCF's report is available on compact disc to those who request it.

All Catholics who placed their trust in Bishop Daniel Ryan, Bishop George Lucas, Bishop Joseph Imesch or Cardinal Francis George can now realize they were lied to for years by "men of God" whose only interest was in protecting their "good name." They showed no concern for the faithful or the children raped by Ryan and monsters

like him. These men attempted to destroy the credibility of RCF and of me personally. Bishop Lucas went so far as to tell me to "disband RCF." Why should anyone trust them now?

Today, those Catholics who now know the truth and, through their false sense of charity, refuse to demand an accounting are part of the problem.

The next section of the report read, in part:

In December 2004, the Chancellor appointed by Daniel Ryan and retained by Bishop Lucas, Msgr Eugene Costa, was involved in sexual misconduct. Msgr. Costa was attacked by two young men when he allegedly propositioned them for sex in a city park. When the allegations against Msgr. Costa came to light, Bishop Lucas immediately removed him from public ministry.

More lies. Msgr. Costa was only removed by Bishop Lucas after he was beaten in the public park. Costa's homosexual activity was common knowledge years earlier. In 1997, Jimmy Lago (the Investigator for Cardinal George and now his Chancellor) specifically asked me about allegations against Fr. Eugene Costa. In interviews with the *State Journal-Register* after his beating, some of Costa's parishioners admitted knowing of his homosexuality.

Shortly after our Chancellor Costa was found beaten in a Springfield Park by two teenage boys he solicited for sex, Mr. Thomas Munoz became a suspect in that beating. Munoz contacted RCF after the police accused him of beating Costa. Munoz's story was covered by the *Illinois Times* and written about in the last issue of our newsletter.

Munoz told RCF that he believed he was being set up by the Diocese (in particular, by Msgr. John Renken) because of things he had witnessed. Munoz said he had been paid for sexual favors by several members of the Springfield clergy and knew of others who were active homosexuals. Munoz gave RCF the names. After our interview with Munoz he was arrested on an attempted burglary charge stemming from an incident at a Rochester Catholic Church. The charge was later dropped and is now the subject of a false arrest lawsuit filed by Munoz.

Munoz, through discovery, has obtained copies of police documents regarding Msgr. Costa's beating and arrest of Munoz. In a sworn statement by a Springfield police detective, the detective states that it was Msgr. Renken who suggested Munoz may have beaten Costa

and went on to state that, according to Msgr. Renken, that Munoz had had sex with Catholic priests. Renken's statement confirms what Munoz had told RCF and raises other serious questions. How did Renken learn this information, and why are the priests Munoz had sex with still active as pastors?

Munoz did fail a polygraph test that only questioned him about his allegations against Bishop Lucas. RCF set up and paid for that polygraph – not the diocese. The FBI agent who conducted the test told me it indicated deception or said there was a chance Munoz was just very nervous or scared.

The diocesan report went on to state:

The Designation of Monsignors – There exists the perception that Bishop Lucas rewarded those who protected Bishop Ryan by granting them the title "Monsignor" in 2003. In conjunction with the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the diocese, the committee overseeing the festivities recommended that 15 priests be honored with the title by the Holy See at the request of Bishop Lucas. Msgr. Renken, then Vicar General, chaired the committee making the Monsignor recommendations. Bishop Lucas acted upon the recommendation of his Vicar General and on what he believed to be the recommendation of the committee. Though no evidence suggests Bishop Lucas was aware of any wrongdoing of the honorees at the time he requested these priests be given the title of Monsignor.

Again more lies. In 2001, two years before Fr. Renken was made Monsignor, I sat in Bishop Lucas' office in a face-to-face meeting and brought up the issue of Fr. Renken's homosexual relationship with Fr. Kenneth Steffan. Bishop Lucas changed the subject. He was not interested in what I had to say. Lucas went on to place Renken and Steffan in charge of the Deaconate program.

The final section read in part:

Msgrs. John Renken and Kenneth Steffen – An investigation continues into Msgrs. Renken and Steffen who are now on leave because of allegations of personal and ministerial misconduct.

Regarding Msgr. Renken, Mr. Scott J. Kastel has come forward with first-hand testimony regarding Msgr. Renken's predatory

homosexual nature. Mr. Kastel has allowed me to use his name publicly because he is scandalized by the fact that Bishop Lucas, while claiming to want information regarding clergy misconduct, refuses to act once he receives it. Kastel provided both former Bishop Ryan (himself a predator) and Bishop Lucas with statements and only came to RCF after Lucas, like Bishop Daniel Ryan, refused to take action. Mr. Kastel is the fifth individual I am aware of who has come forward with information on Renken's homosexual activity.

(Msgr. John Renken was past president of the Canon Law Society and in 2002 was appointed advisor to the Bishops' committee on child abuse in Washington, D.C.)

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ADDENDUM: For more than 20 years the hierarchy of the Springfield Diocese was controlled by active homosexuals. Ryan, Renken, Costa, and Steffan ran the diocese. These men could not believe the truths of the Catholic faith and do the things they did. Were Bishop Ryan's ordinations valid? Were their Masses valid? How many more homosexual priests are active? We may never know the extent of the damage done because of the sinful activity, silence and false charity of so many.

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Who does Dick Durbin represent? July 27th, 2006

On July 25th the U.S. Senate voted to pass the Child Protection Custody Act (S. 403). The key point of this bill was to prohibit transporting minors across state lines for abortions in violation of parents' rights and to circumvent local Parental Notification laws which are currently active in 29 states.

Despite the 65-34 vote in the U.S. Senate, to pass the bill, Senator Dick Durbin acted to kill the bill.

Fourteen Democratic senators voted to pass the bill, but Senator Dick Durbin immediately moved to rally the Democratic Caucus to kill the bill.

Senator Dick Durbin's allegiance to the abortion industry continues to undermine the fundamental right of a parent to be involved in the health care choices of their minor daughters. Parental notification and parental consent laws are supported by overwhelming majorities of the American public, Dick Durbin in plainly out of touch with his constituents.

Who does Dick Durbin represent, the citizens of Illinois, or the pro-abortion lobby?

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(Senator Dick Durbin is a registered Catholic in Springfield, Illinois. The failure of Bishop George Lucas to address Durbin's public support for abortion is indeed a grave scandal. But then Lucas' lack of action may be explain by Lucas allowing pro-abortion Rabbi Barry Marks to speak at the Springfield Cathedral. Not only did **Springfield Right to Life** fail to address this issue they participated in the celebration at the Cathedral when Rabbi Marks spoke there.)

Springfield bishop blasts RCF

In the November 12, 2006 issue of the "Catholic Times" as well as on a local Catholic Radio station, Bishop George Lucas suggested that **Roman Catholic Faithful, Inc.** (**RCF**) has no right to operate as a Catholic group without his permission. Using Lucas' reasoning RCF would have never been allowed to expose Bishop Daniel Ryan's corruption, and sexual abuse of teenage boys without Bishop Ryan's permission. Bishop Lucas seems to believe he is above reproach. How convenient for him and all bishops were that true.

Bishop Lucas has also said that "no competent authority or pastor supervises" RCF's work. In fact, RCF worked under the direction of Fr. John Hardon, S.J. until his death. Fr. Hardon answered directly to the Vatican. Hardon helped RCF with the Bishop Ryan case and went to Rome in 1997 on our behalf. It was Fr. Hardon who directed RCF to use the services of Fr. Alfred Kunz. Fr. Kunz was murdered in 1998. The murder is still unsolved.

As president of RCF I met with Fr. Peter Mascari (of the Springfield Diocese) on a weekly basis for direction. It was Fr Mascari who met with Fr. Hardon, myself and several others in 1997 regarding the Bishop Ryan case.

What is Lucas afraid of? RCF believes the faithful have a right to the truth especially when souls of the faithful are at risk. Your donations to the diocese has indeed paid the price for this corruption in the form of millions of dollars in settlements.

An article that appeared in the February 5, 2007 issue of the Springfield *State Journal Register* may hold the key to why the bishop came after RCF. Our mailings to area Catholics over the years may have brought about a drop in donations to the diocese.

The article titled: "Diocese reports losses of \$2.3 million" pointed out that the diocese had an operating deficit of more than 5 million dollars since 2002. As is the case in many dioceses across the country, Catholics are becoming fed-up with the lies, theft of funds, heretical teaching, and abuse of children that has been common place within their dioceses.

Bishop George Lucas has covered up much of the corruption within the Springfield Diocese. He has released small bits of information only when public pressure is applied. Not one priest who has stolen parish funds has been charged or prosecuted.

The danger of diocesan "Catholic" newspapers

In the October 15, 2006 issue of the "Catholic Times", the official newspaper of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, Father John Dietzen, a priest from the Peoria Diocese, offers "teaching about the existence of hell."

According to Fr. Dietzen's article, as far as we know, no one may be in Hell because we have no way of knowing if anyone has ever "freely, finally and definitively, and with sufficient knowledge and reflection, ...totally reject[ed] a relationship with God."

What Father fails to mention is that we choose to reject God every time we commit a mortal sin.

Many pro-abortion Catholic politicians must feel comfort in Dietzen's words. After all, while they do promote the murder of the unborn they do not "reject God."

I have just a few questions for Father. When our Lord said of Judas that it would have been better for him had he never been born, was that because Judas was on his way to Heaven once he hanged himself? When God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah was that so he could send the residents to Heaven.? In the time of Noah was the world destroyed by flood so it's inhabitants could be taken to Heaven? The list of questions could go on and on.

As is the case in so many articles in many Diocesan newspapers Fr. John Dietzen's "teaching about the existence of hell" intentionally or not, fluffs the pillow of us sinners by using half truths, catch phrases, and political correctness to explain away the idea of punishment for sins.

When fear of a just God and the idea of punishment for sin is looked upon as outdated ideas of a time past, you end up with a society that accepts and even embraces all sorts of evil while believing they are good. "God is love." You end up with just what we have today—abortion on demand, promotion of the homosexual lifestyle (even from your priests), children without two parents, divorce, and a complete breakdown of the family.

"Fear of God is the beginning of wisdom"

Two Catholic Priests Marry — Each other!

It was the summer of 2000 when RCF exposed a network of homosexual clergy who operated an internet website and email list known as **Saint Sebastian's Angels**. They described their group as " a support group for Gay Religious Brothers and Clergy of the Roman Catholic Church. It seeks to be an area where men in orders and/or vows can share their lives and talk about their problems, concerns, joys and sorrows. ...It understands that the Roman Catholic Church is struggling with the issue of homosexuality and the teachings of Christ as understood by the Roman Catholic Church."

One of the members of the list, Fr. John Harris of Sabattus, Maine, (now removed from the priesthood) set up a web page of his own and titled the page "St. Sebastian's Angels". On this site he placed photos of some of the members of the e-mail list. Along with the photos on Fr. Harris' page he had a video clip of a masturbated penis. He removed the penis once RCF let it be known that we had seen the site.

Members of this group, among other things, mocked Church teaching, exchanged nude, and sometimes pornographic pictures of themselves and others, and discussed their past sex lives. There was a spiritual dimension to the group. A homosexual priest member from Atlanta asked for and received prayers from his fellow homosexual priests when his male lover left him to go back to his wife and kids in another state.

Another member of the group was a young Dallas priest by the name of Father Cliff Garner. Dallas Bishop Joseph Galante did not seem to have much a problem with Fr. Garner's involvement with St. Sebastian's Angels until the issue was made public in 2002 by an article in the Washington Times. At the time, June 2002, the American Bishops were holding their semi-annual meeting in Dallas to address the Church sexual abuse scandal that had exploded into public view.

On June 23rd, after it was revealed that Fr. Cliff Garner had expressed on the site his sexual attraction towards Hispanic men, he took the opportunity to apologize to his congregation during Sunday Mass: "I apologize to anyone I may have scandalized, confused, or angered. There was no excuse for the inappropriate remarks." One week later, after receiving several threats, Fr. Garner resigned from his parish. Later that week, in keeping with the American bishops' de facto

policy of reacting more to media pressure than moral justice or public safety, Dallas Bishop Joseph Galante announced that Fr. Garner had been "sent to an undisclosed location for rehabilitation and barred indefinitely from functioning as a priest." This was covered in the Dallas morning news, The Seattle Catholic, The Washington Times, and several other publications.

RCF had lost track of Fr. Garner until September 29, 2006 when, with the help of another RCF member, we logged on to Fr. Cliff Garner's new personal website. http://www.cliffandjon.com/

According to the website Fr. Garner and his long time friend Father Jon O'Guinn "were married in Vancouver on Dec. 18, 2004." Also according to their website the two priests changed their last name.

"Had we been an opposite-sex couple, we would have exercised our option to take on a new name. But we returned to the U.S. the same way we left — as Cliff Garner and Jon O'Guinn. We lacked a shared name. So we decided to take matters into our own hands. We decided to legally change our names... Its official, now, and, as far as we're concerned, permanent. We went to court. With the generous assistance of a local attorney, we filled out the proper paperwork, paid the relevant fees, submitted our fingerprints and appeared before a judge. And we are now The Garinns. Still the Cliff and Jon you've always known, but now more of a couple than ever."

Reading Fr. Garner's website closely and following the dates I learned that at the time (June 2002) Fr. Garner was defending his actions and trying to remain within the priesthood, he was already involved in a relationship with Fr. Jon and making plans to move in together.

While we pray that Cliff and Jon will find the truth and return to the Church they once swore to serve—their sad tale confirms the need to ban homosexuals from the priesthood. As the 1961 Vatican document states: "Advancement to religious vows and ordination should be barred to those who are afflicted with evil tendencies to homosexuality or pederasty, since for them the common life and the priestly ministry would constitute serious dangers."

Jon works as an editor and writer at *The Dallas Morning News* and Cliff works as a counseling specialist at the University of Texas at Arlington's Business Career Services

Stephen Brady

NEWS BLURBS:

Investigation found no evidence sex abuse claim is true, bishop says By JOHN K. WILEY The Associated Press Thursday, June 8, 2006

"SPOKANE, Wash. (The Seattle Times)— Catholic Bishop William Skylstad said Thursday that his own investigation found no evidence to support a woman's claim that he sexually abused her 40 years ago." (Bishop Skylstad investigated himself and found himself innocent)

Spokane Diocese reaches \$48 million settlement January 2007

By Janet I. Tu Seattle Times staff reporter

"The diocese agreed to pay at least \$48 million to settle claims with more than 100 sex-abuse victims and other creditors in a reorganization plan filed Thursday in U.S. Bankruptcy Court."

Priest found guilty; cleric gets 15 years to life in nun's murder Jury takes 6 hours to reach decision

By David Yonke, BLADE RELIGION EDITOR, May 12, 2006

"...jurors convicted a 68-year-old Toledo priest, Gerald Robinson, in the brutal, ritualistic murder of a nun.

...the nun, ...was attacked from behind. The killer wrapped a piece of cloth around her neck and choked her so tightly that he broke two bones in her neck.

Barely alive, Sister Margaret Ann was placed on the cold terrazzo floor and covered with an altar cloth. Jurors agreed it was Robinson who used his distinctive saber-shaped letter opener to stab her nine times over the heart in the shape of an upside-down cross.

He removed the altar cloth, stabbed her 22 more times, and then "anointed" Sister Margaret Ann's forehead with her own blood.

As a final act of degradation and humiliation, Robinson pulled the nun's dress up to her chest and her girdle and hose down over her ankles, then penetrated her with either a cross, the letter opener, or his finger, prosecutors said."

Priest arrested in Las Vegas church attack (February 1, 2007)

"LAS VEGAS, Nevada (AP) -- A Roman Catholic priest who is accused of beating, groping and choking a soloist at his Las Vegas church was arrested Thursday in Arizona, authorities said.

The Rev. George Chaanine, 52, was taken into custody in Apache Junction, about 30 miles east of Phoenix, said Deb McCarley, a spokeswoman for the Phoenix office of the FBI."

Keeping an Eye on the Collection Plate January 26, 2007 By DAVID GIBSON The Wall Street Journal

"...there is also a secondary scandal that continues to afflict the church -- this one the scandal of financial malfeasance. ...Earlier this month it was a pastor in Virginia stealing \$600,000 to help support a woman who may be his wife, while last September two Palm Beach, Fla., priests were arrested for allegedly stealing a whopping \$8.6 million from their parish. In a new survey by the Center for the Study of Church Management at Villanova's School of Business, 85% of U.S. dioceses responding said that they had uncovered embezzlement schemes over the past five years. More than 10% reported that the amounts stolen exceeded half a million dollars."

Bishop apologizes for priest abuse but not for cover-ups. Victims angry over response of Fort Worth Diocese, November 30, 2006 By BROOKS EGERTON / The Dallas Morning News

"FORT WORTH – Bishop Kevin Vann apologized profusely Wednesday for sexual abuses by priests of the Fort Worth Catholic Diocese, but he repeatedly declined to criticize the cover-ups that left some clergymen in ministry and sometimes enabled them to hurt more people.

"'Not being here at the time those decisions were made, I can't say they should have done this or that,'" said the diocesan leader, who succeeded the late Bishop Joseph Delaney last year." (Prior to being installed as Bishop of Ft. Worth, TX, Kevin Vann was part of the hierarchy in Springfield, Illinois. Vann, along with others serving within the Springfield Chancery kept quiet about the corruption that existed. It was only addressed when RCF made it public)

A FEW BLUNT WORDS TO CATHOLICS

(Republished from our summer 2000 AMDG)

A very, very long time ago a pagan Greek philosopher suggested that 90% of you would not like what I'm about to say, but I do ask you to read it all and I pray that you will consider it honestly. First you must realize that we are living in the most evil of all the ages. Read your newspaper. I will take only one example—abortion. We have killed more children than any people in history, and no one else is even in the ballpark! Hitler, Stalin and the other monsters of history must peek through the flames of Hell and gaze in awe and professional admiration at the level of our barbarity. We have found a way to kill children and vote for those who provide the protection and still go to Church on Sunday.

We can read from the Bible about the terrible things God said about those who would harm His "little ones" and never connect those words to our own final judgment. I remember being horrified when I read in school about the Aztec Indians throwing children alive into the fire as a sacrifice to their God. How barbaric! But count the numbers. What is the output of the abortion clinics in this country each day? Who are the barbarians? Who are the monsters? At least the Aztecs will have the excuse that they thought they were serving God. What excuse will we have?

As followers of Christ and members of His Church we must stand in opposition to evil! There is a very real conflict, a "spiritual warfare" that the followers of Jesus are called to take up. This is revealed with crystalline clarity in all forms of revelation. God calls His followers to reject the ways of this world and follow Him. This warfare is not for the weak or the faint of heart, and many are simply not capable. St. Thomas Aquinas said, "Grace builds on Nature." That is why the Israelites spent 40 years in the desert. A generation of slaves with a slave's mentality had to die off and a new people, strong and toughened by the harsh life of the desert had to rise up. Most Catholics today seem to be like those slaves. They are simply not capable of dealing with the truth. And the truth is that the evil that is everywhere in this world is also deep within the Church. Pope Leo the XIII noticed it and composed the "Prayer to St. Michael". Pope Paul VI proclaimed that the "Smoke of Satan has entered the sanctuary"!

Throughout the history of the Church it has always been those

who are within that have caused the most damage. Remember that Judas was a bishop and nearly all the heresies that have ravaged the Church throughout history have come from priests and bishops. In an earlier age we were better equipped to deal with this evil and protect the truth. No less a saint than St. John Chrysostom said, "The floor of hell is paved with the skulls of bishops!"

This evil has festered and grown because it has been promoted and protected by a false spirituality with its roots in the "spirit of Vatican II". An astounding and diabolical pride has allowed us to turn away from the spiritual values that have made saints for 2000 years to embrace a false theology promoted by a false church and presenting a false god. This new god simply blesses whatever our desires, passions, and appetites crave. This god wants us to be happy and such things as sacrifice, penance and self-discipline are non-values. This is the god of the "group hug", "we are the church", and if you complain - "Don't be judgmental." This "god" is a god of love, but not the burning self-sacrificing love we see on the cross, but a phony and sick imitation, a daytime TV talk show morality, which is preached from too many pulpits and is fooling "even the elect"! It's a god for slaves and enslavement. It has found a home deep in the heart of the Church and the Church seems incapable of dealing with it!

If we wish to survive these days with our faith intact we should learn the lessons of history. We live in a time when the laity must rise up to save the true Church. This is very difficult because we are coming out of an age when the laity looked to the hierarchy for guidance. But as it was in the time of King Henry the VIII, you may follow your pastor or even your bishop and as a result find yourself outside the true Church.

This is not an age that will suffer weak faith. Soon there will only be two kinds of Catholics - strong Catholics and ex-Catholics. Leave "political correctness" to the false church; it's time for a little plain speech. It's time for a little truth! There are many homosexuals in the priesthood and in the hierarchy. Many of these are not living celibate lives, and they prey on others. They do not preach the truth of Jesus Christ because they could not do so without condemning themselves. They are in positions of authority in Chancery Offices and seek to add to their numbers by controlling vocations. They organize into "support groups," many of which are not oriented toward celibacy, but exist to provide "contacts" for sexual relationships. Priests are dying of

AIDS at an alarming rate and some have even blamed the Church for not teaching them about "safe" sex in the seminary! (How safe can "safe" sex be, when Hell is the result?) The Church has not shown any desire or ability to deal with this.

Recently the Vatican told a priest and a nun to stop giving workshops across the country promoting the homosexual lifestyle. That's nice. But they have been giving these workshops for 20 long years!! How many souls have been lost and lives destroyed while the hierarchy did nothing! Maybe your newspaper today will carry the story about another multi-million dollar lawsuit involving a child abusing priest. The judgments are so high because juries are learning that bishops knew who the sexual predators were and allowed them to continue to destroy children. Bishops protected the pervert and provided innocent victims for him to prey upon. Bishops even hide perverts by trading them from diocese to diocese like baseball players! (You take mine, and I'll take yours) Parents and good priests approach Church authorities with accusations and are ignored or referred to an inept committee. The goal of those in authority is simply damage control and covering it up.

Recently I met with a very well-known priest who was sent to represent the hierarchy in a terrible case of sexual abuse. His primary concern seemed to be to avoid publicity. I told him we would consider his request if he would answer two simple questions. First - Would he give me just one example of the Church intervening on its own to stop that particular form of abuse? - He didn't answer. Second - If we backed away and did not make this public and as a result of our choice another innocent person was attacked, would God hold us responsible for that terrible sin? – He didn't answer that question either.

It seems that the operative spirituality of the Church has become so weak that it is no longer capable of dealing with evil. It is a fact that authorities in the Church have allowed innocent lives to be destroyed and then have covered up the crime and protected the criminal! This has been done with the thinly veiled excuse that "we must protect Holy Mother Church from scandal"! The tragic truth is this – publicity and large lawsuits have done much more to protect the innocent than the Vatican, the National Council of Catholic Bishops or the Apostolic

Delegate combined! And (with apologies to Vince Lombardi) the protection of the innocent is not the most important thing—it's the only thing! If it is necessary to protect one innocent child then I pray that every diocese in the country will be sued for every nickel it has and every sordid detail be put on the front page of every newspaper! The Church that I love and that Jesus promised would last until the end of the world is a Church that doesn't want to appear holy, it must be holy!

Allow me to return to that Greek philosopher and the 90%. Heraclitus was a philosopher and a warrior. During a lull in the battle he wrote a letter to the leaders of Athens regarding the soldiers he was receiving as replacements. He said that for every 100 men they sent, 90 were useless. They were little more than battlefield clutter. Out of the 100, about 10 were fighters and the outcome of the battle rested on their shoulders. And maybe one, only one, was a true warrior.

The spiritual warfare is no less warfare, and I believe the percentages apply. The vast majority doesn't want to know the truth. They just want things to be "nice" and the truth and the demands it would place on them as followers of Christ are unacceptable. I appreciate those who pray but if that's all you do, remember it says in the epistle of St. James that "Faith without works is dead and has no power to save you!" I would ask those 90% to consider joining the warrior class. You are needed! If you cannot - then at least stay out of the way. The battle is tough enough without clutter. If you cannot fight this Goliath, at least stand back and make room for those who are going forward to sling their stones. The false charity and empty spirituality of those who mouth pious platitudes over the broken bodies and souls of the innocent is an affront to the martyrs and missionaries who gave their lives to share the true faith. I have seen, up close and personal, the heartrending results of allowing predators to destroy children, families, and faith. A "drawing room" spirituality does not have the power to fight the malignant evil of this age. Delicate sensibilities must be sacrificed and hands dirtied in favor of a cross-centered faith! We are not fighting for principles or philosophies. We are fighting for SOULS and we must not lose!

Fr. "G" (Father is one of the priests who guides RCF)

"The words I spoke to you are spirit and life." (Jn 6:63)

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The Dictatorship of Choice

Merck's lucrative HPV vaccine is now being proposed as mandatory by twelve states for girls 11 years old and above. Yes, the word is *mandatory*. Remember that the culture of death is not a benign dictator: it becomes a tyrant as soon as it is able to enforce its will. Cynically, the whole premise of the culture of death is "freedom of choice," but if Merck and the CDC have their way soon we will be bulldozing chemicals into little girls' bodies for no other reason than that their parents' generation has deprived them of a choice. Those who say that they don't want to force their morality on others are now having others' *immorality* forced upon them.

I have written before that this is not an innocuous little program to protect girls from disease. It is the newest program of fear-mongering that manipulates baby-boomer and Gen X mothers to "protect" their pre-adolescent kids from what they themselves know to be the ravages of the culture of sexual promiscuity. It leaves virtually no room for the moral approach of chastity before and during marriage and in fact denigrates that approach as unrealistic. While there are many reasons why this vaccine should be opposed and rejected, I object most strongly to its capacity to degrade human and sexual relations under the guise of real-world protection.

How is a mother to explain this intrusion to her child? She may tell her girl that the chicken pox vaccine is necessary because even casual contact with other kids may infect her. But if the daughter asks the mother why she needs to get *three* shots for the HPV vaccine, mom would have to explain it in some disingenuous or crude way: "Well, honey, you may someday have sex with someone who has this disease, and you have to be safe." The reactions from the child may range from embarrassment to shock to horror. If mother says, "Your future husband may have this disease...," she will also have to explain why the girl would even want to marry someone with a disease and whether or not Daddy had that disease when she married him. Any way you slice it this shot is degrading to kids' relationships with their parents, their purity,

and the sense of wonder that they should have toward the beauty of human sexuality.

And that's the point. The culture of death, like every despotic regime, enters into God's realm with haughty pretense and sullies it. It eventually establishes itself inside the temple as its own authority and mandates a new law contrary to both spirit and nature. Last time I checked, the Scriptures still say that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor 6:9), but the CDC is rapidly squatting on another's property and soon will claim total ownership of the temple if these HPV vaccine "mandates" are any way indicative of the future.

If parents want to assure that God's plan of sexual purity will set the agenda for their kids' future marriages and families, *now* is the time to change their culture. The only real response to these intrusions of the culture of death is to reject them and all their works and all their empty promises. We have to get and keep the tainted culture out of us and stop pretending that it is the "real world." Pre-adolescent girls getting expensive shots to protect them from sexually transmitted diseases is not "real," it's perverse. Creating a culture of life and purity will in no way be without its sacrifices—even heroic ones—but if our children's and family's integrity is not worth the sacrifice, what is?

One final question that has been asked by many and needs a clear answer: Would it be immoral for someone to take or administer this vaccine? No. The HPV vaccine is not made from aborted fetal cell lines and is not in itself an immoral substance. The Church is not in the business of manipulating consciences to make a point about the culture of death. The Church's point is that the real manipulators are sitting in the CDC and state legislatures and school boards, and we should insist upon our *freedom* from their unwarranted intrusions into God's temple. Sincerely Yours in Christ,

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A Prayer of Relinquishment for a Wayward Son By M.R.

You entrusted me with the beautiful soul of an innocent boy.

In my selfishness, I let this new soul be soiled in the filth of the world.

I beg You, God, forgive me. Inspire in me a prayer that will help me bring him back to You.

Let him experience a luminous spiritual transfiguration, like You let me experience.

Give me the words that I should tell him to bring him back to You.

Let the seed of my words find a soul open and eager to receive them.

Let him listen to Your voice that warns against the false allure of the flesh.

Let him see Your light, the light whose glow annuls all worldly shade.

Let him see himself the way You see him.

Grant that he know and regret entirely his sins.

Give him a constant desire to be the way

You want him to be, so that when his days in this
world are over I will be able to give him back to You

as pure and as innocent as he was

when You gave him to me.



Daniel Adam Brady July 5, 1986 – August 23, 2006 Rest In Peace Son