

## Putting Priest Scandal in Proper Perspective

### 1. God's Chastisement and Cleansing has Begun.

For some time now God has been warning the world of upcoming chastisement because sin has so multiplied on our land. Every institution has been corrupted to the point that prostitution, promiscuity, abortion, and sodomy and pornography have free reign in America. Most times, with the full endorsement of the medical, legal, judicial, entertainment, newspaper, education, and musical institutions. It is almost as if the public forum in America has been turned upside down. That which is good and holy they attack, and that which is evil they more or less wholeheartedly endorse. God is bringing an end to that. September 11th was just a warning.

### 2. The Catholic Church is the Vanguard of Truth.

The only institution endorsed by God that speaks in His Name, and is Holding for God's high standards right across the board is the Catholic Church. In fact, the only institution that has a no tolerance policy concerning abortion, pornography, prostitution, sodomy, artificial contraception, self abuse, homosexual acts, and even deliberately consented to impure thoughts is the Catholic Church. Only the Catholic Church promotes decency in its fullness, advocating the Gospel of Life, a Legion of Decency, the Catholic school system that promotes virginity and purity. Only the catholic Church holds up for everyone Mary, the Mother of God, as our model of purity, along with certain saints, such as Saint Cecilia and saint Maria Goretti who died to maintain their virginity. Only the Catholic Church forever advocates prayer, frequent confession, modesty in dress, and the practice of mortification and penance. In all of history no other institution has done more to promote purity and virginity as the Catholic Church, as any fair minded person will readily admit.

#### The Legal Profession

The legal profession for example, long since has compromised the high moral road given to us by our founding fathers. Every single one of the Ten Commandments can be legally violated in America today as a result of the compromising stance of the Supreme Court and the legal profession. The most horrendous abuse of children, of course, is abortion itself. Over 100,000,000 innocent babies have been butchered, but what is worse, the judicial and legal system has endorsed this.

We were a nation under God; we now separate God from State, which is against the First Commandment. We used to have obscenity laws. We no longer do, which is against the Second Commandment. We used to have Blue Laws, to keep the Sabbath holy (the Third Commandment), we no longer do. Legally, we do not push for the consent of parents in the case of their daughters seeking abortion, which is against the Fourth Commandment, and with regard to the Fifth Commandment, "Thou shalt not kill" our legal record is terribly horrendous. Once again, we have killed twice as many Jewish people through abortion as Hitler did in the Holocaust, and twice as many black people as the slave trade did. We have killed fifty million women in a nation that boasts of women's rights. With regard to the Sixth Commandment, "Thou shalt not commit adultery," lawyers now allow almost every single type of indecency to be protected by "consenting adults" and "First Amendment Rights" and as we saw in the impeachment

hearings of former President, William Clinton, that wholesale lying was endorsed legally, by every single Democratic Senator, thus breaking the Seventh Commandment. As far as stealing, lawyers are hired precisely to protect the perpetrators. If the Catholic Church has a no tolerance policy concerning evil, it would almost appear the legal profession has a no tolerance policy concerning good.

#### The Medical Profession

The absolute scandal of the medical profession is it has gone on record as promoting and endorsing the wholesale slaughter of innocent babies. In addition, by and large, it endorses a pagan and secular sexual education of youth that does not promote purity, chastity and virginity. In very many cases, it pushes for the wide-sale distribution of contraceptives.

#### The Educational Profession

The scandal of the public school education system is that it no longer even pretends to spiritually equip our young children. It has created a vacuum which promiscuity, teenage pregnancies, and immorality, has more than filled. As unthinkable as it is, college president after college president has allowed co-ed dormitories to invade their campuses, so that now promiscuity on college campuses is so widespread that it is light years beyond epidemic proportions.

#### The Entertainment Profession

The entertainment profession also promotes homosexuality, indecency, immorality, adultery, and the like, all of which has had a corrupting influence on our children and youth. It is almost impossible to find the types of play or movie which were in vogue before 1962, when our Supreme Court went against almost 200 years of American History, and outlawed prayer and the teaching of the Ten Commandments, not only in our public schools, but in our public forum as well.

#### The Music Industry

The Music industry is just as notorious for pushing the lewd, the obscene, the vulgar and the immoral, and targeting our youth in the process. Although there is some Christian music, it is by-and large in the minority.

#### The Newspaper Industry

The newspapers of this land, by and large, are run by irreligious, atheistic, and anti-Christian editorial boards. Abortion, homosexuality, and the sexual revolution are widely endorsed, as well as a false feminism, that is anti-God, anti-Church, and anti-Life.

#### Christian Organizations

Thank God for Christian organizations, such as Focus on the Family, the Christian Coalition, and the Evangelical and Pentecostal churches, who by and large are pro-God, pro-Family, and pro-Life. Sadly, however, some Christian churches are on record for being pro-abortion, such as the Congregational Church, and some, such as the Methodist Church are on record for endorsing active homosexuals to be ordained

ministers.

No Secret

It is no secret that the media in America is dominated by atheist, irreligionists, connivers and anti-Christians, and because of that it is one of the most negative forces in our culture. Unfortunately, it is the number one format of American youth. It accentuates the negative and the sinful and attacks the true and the holy. It has lost sight of the true dignity of the person, the sanctity of all human life, the integrity of the family, and the Judaic Christian ethic which formed the bedrock of these United States. It is not by and large pro God, pro Church, pro- Family, nor pro-Life. It preys upon the fact that all are sinners and it attacks very vulnerable children.

Ambassadors of Bad News

As such, it has become an ambassador of bad news. Anything filthy, sinful, degrading, exotic, neurotic, psychotic or abnormal will be highlighted in the American press. Most of that which is holy, uplifting, or religious will be slighted, ignored, attacked, or falsely reported. Pope Pius XII, for example was credited with saving over a million Jewish people during the Holocaust by ordering all Catholic institutions to harbor and hide them at the expense of Catholic lives; who protected against Hitler and Nazism over 63 times; who even wrote an encyclical (With Deepest Sorrow) in German, warning the German people of the dangers of Nazism; who was named Man of the Year by B'nai B'rith Society right after the war, has been generally maligned in the press as "silent." How unjust and how wrong.

### 3. The Church as the Light, Leads the Way

The Catholic Church has been and always will be a beacon of light, encouraging all who follow Her to be pure of heart, for only they shall see God. The Church teaches to obey the Sixth and the Ninth Commandments, to honor the sanctity of sex and to honor the sanctity of marriage, as the only valid union for proper sexual expression; to stay away from pornography, sodomy, contraception, immoral movies, immoral books, and to ask the intercession of the Mother of God to keep us pure; to receive the Eucharist often, in order to be strengthened, to go to Confession frequently so that our souls can be cleansed, and to practice acts of self-denial, mortification and fasting, to fight against the world, the flesh and the devil.

### 4. For the Saints are Few

This is the high road endorsed by the Catholic Church, whom God has set up to be the pillar and standard of Truth. That few there are who find it, is not only the prophecy of Jesus, but a matter of history as well. Historically, most people who have ever lived on this planet earth have been immoral. We say this with sadness, for immorality harms and corrupts our young people. Although there is not another institution in the world that does more to promote purity and chastity, we say that with great pain. Would that every other institution, lawyers, doctors, newspapermen, actors, movie producers, writers of plays and novels, legislators and jurists would endorse a no tolerance policy for any single thing that hurts our children. Would that abortion and immorality, once again, be outlawed in our land. And would that every child would be allowed to grow in wisdom, holiness, purity and love. The sexual abuse of our children has simply gone too far.

## Life is So Confusing

Life, for most American young people is so confusing because there are so few principles being taught. Finding your way through a downtown major city in America can be very confusing, to out-of-towners without road maps. Because there is a God, there are moral road maps, and the moral road maps He has revealed in their fullness to the one Church founded by His Son. The American Culture you sit in, as you read this paper, is now in obvious crisis, perhaps, death pangs, twisting grotesquely like a dying animal, swirling down the garbage drain. Yet this is the nation founded by our forefathers to be a nation under God. The first 106 colleges founded in this Country were all Christian schools. Every student had to attend worship service on Sunday, read the Bible and pray, and practice the Christian moral code. They were taught to be upright and morally pure. Doing the primer, which was the official text book, along with the Bible in all American public schools taught the same high principles of Jesus.

### 5. God's Cleansing Begins with the Church.

Now God has begun to act, to cleanse sodomy from our land as He did long ago in Sodom and Gomorrah. He had to begin with the Church. Statistics and sociologists tell us that sodomites are less than 2% of the population. And pedophiliac sodomites are less than 1% of the population, infecting all men right across the boards; not only priests, but lawyers, doctors, ministers, rabbis, teachers, school principals, as well as fathers, brothers, sons, and even grand-fathers. Even though, the percentages in general are small, there are millions of sins of sodomy committed every years in this country alone. Each one seriously affects the souls of both the perpetrators and the victims. An act of sodomy on a young boy can damage his soul for life and many times begin him on the road of becoming a life-time sodomite himself.

#### Can Be Healed

Some Christian psychologists say homosexuality is a acquired through early inter-relationships and within the field of Christian counseling many homosexuals have been healed. The tendency in the media to widely publicize cases of Catholic priest abuse have given Americans a very distorted picture, as Phillip Jenkins pointed out in an Oxford University Press book on the subject, published just last year.

#### Extremely Rare

Jenkins reported that pedophilia is extremely rare in the priesthood, with a best estimate being that 0.3% are guilty of that crime. The most extensive study, of 2,252 priests over a thirty year period, found only one case of pedophilia, and in that case, the abuse occurred among members of the priest's extended family.

#### Vigilance

All priests are called to added vigilance to avoid pedophilia cases in the future. Cardinal Law in a statement called for a "no tolerance policy." Hopefully, this will lead to a widespread no tolerance policy in the general public as well, with the Church leading the way. Every American citizen should work toward a no tolerance policy towards any sexual disorder, especially as it touches children and youth.

## A No-Tolerance Policy for All Child Abuse

Every American should pray for a no tolerance policy, therefore concerning pornography, child abuse, pagan sexual education, the rampant immorality on our school campuses, an all too liberal and permissive secular media and blatantly exploitive organizations such as Planned Parenthood, National Organization of Women, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

## Parental Obligation

A new field of law is now being born. Not only do lawyers and prosecutors go after the perpetrators of sexual abuse, but even after the parent organization, in this case, the Church. This trend will continue in the future as victims and lawyers will continue to sue parents, hospitals, medical centers, abortion clinics, businesses, who in any way contribute to child abuse.

## Everyone Take Responsibility

Only when everyone takes responsibility by every means possible with the victimizing of our children cease. God is calling for that. His cleansing and chastisement begins as always, with the Church, only so that the Church can be more brightly the light that shows the way to everyone else.

## A Real Hypocrisy

Many Americans are willing to point their fingers at priests, not only because they are concerned with children, but because of deep-seated anti-Catholic biases. Those who are really concerned with the victimizing of children, will fight just as diligently against any person or any institution that pushes sexual abuse in any form against children.

## Widespread Dehumanization of Children

Since the immorality that leads to the dehumanization of children is so widespread, in our courts, in our media, in our colleges, in our legal system, this will call for a long and difficult journey back into the Light.