

# Cartoons



Rather than focusing on the positive message that Pope Benedict XVI conveyed at the World Youth Day celebration in Australia, cartoonist Simanca Osmani took a shot at the Holy Father for rejecting the culture of consumerism. (Simanca Osmani, *Erie Times-News*, July 24)



This cartoon was in response to Kansas City Archbishop Joseph Naumann's request that Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius not present herself for Communion due to her pro-abortion stance. Naumann's request was due to Sebelius' rejection of Church teaching on abortion and not for any other reason, as the cartoon indicates. (Lee Judge, *Kansas City Star*, May 24)

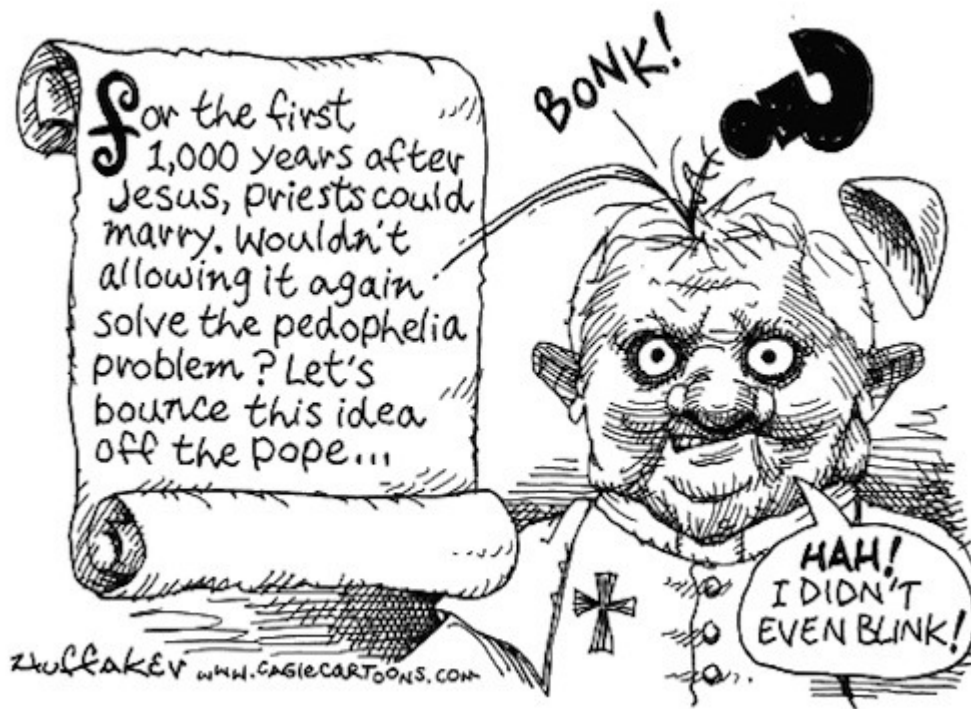


This cartoon inaccurately portrays Scranton Bishop Joseph Martino as a sort

of dictatorial figure because he advocates denying Communion to any politician who supports abortion rights. (John Cole, *Scranton Times-Tribune*, December 3)



Brian Fairrington, a nationally syndicated cartoonist, took St. Patrick's Day as an opportunity to blast the Catholic Church. This cartoon misrepresents Church teaching and implies that sex abuse was not a sin until recently. (Brian Fairrington, *The Macon Telegraph*, March 18)

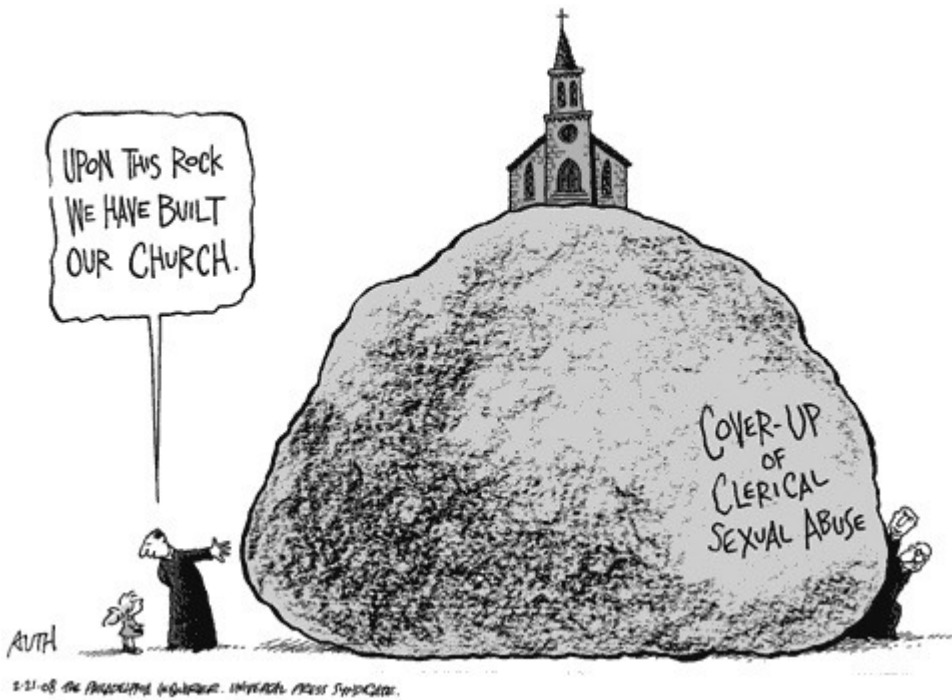


This cartoon is how nationally syndicated cartoonist, Sandy Huffaker, welcomed Pope Benedict XVI to the United States. Huffaker took a cheap shot at the Church for its requirement of priestly celibacy. (Sandy Huffaker, *CagleCartoons.com*, April 16)



Bob Englehart took a shot at Connecticut's Catholic Bishops for urging Catholics to vote "yes" on Question 1 in the state's election—the initiative called for a Constitutional Convention to be held. The bishops advocated this due to the state's Supreme Court decision to legalize gay marriage. (Bob

Englehart, *Hartford Courant*, October 26)



Cartoonist Tony Auth, no stranger to anti-Catholic bigotry, drew the above cartoon depicting the Catholic Church as being built upon a foundation of deceit. The cartoon also shows the clergy hiding behind the sex abuse scandal rather than dealing with it. (Tony Auth, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, February 21)