

Catholic League Ads

The following is a list of paid ads that the Catholic League has placed in various media outlets over the years:

September, 2021 to August, 2022: *Legatus*, "[Defending Religious Liberty](#)"

September 15, 29 & October 13, 2019: *National Catholic Register*, "[ATTACKS ON THE CHURCH ARE MOUNTING](#)"

September 6, 20 & October 4, 2019: *Catholic Herald*, "[FED UP WITH CATHOLIC BASHING?](#)"

October 11, 2016: *New York Times*, "[STOP MACY'S THOUGHT POLICE](#)"

May 2, 2016: *Albany Times Union*, "[SEXUAL ABUSE LOBBY IS AGENDA-RIDDEN](#)"

February 29, 2016: *New York Times*, "[SHAME ON DISNEY-ABC](#)"

February 29, 2016: To read the "SHAME ON DISNEY-ABC" ad we initially submitted to the *New York Times*, but was rejected, click [here](#).

September 15, 2014: *New York Times*, "[CHRISTIAN GENOCIDE MUST END](#)"

March 3, 2014: *New York Times*, "[HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, HOLY FATHER](#)"

May 20, 2013: This ad was **rejected** by the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. "[FOUR CATHOLIC MEN FRAMED](#)"

April 15, 2013: *New York Times*, "[LEAD US, HOLY FATHER](#)"

December 17, 2012: *New York Times*, "[NEW YORK TIMES SALUTES POPE PIUS XII](#)"

October 1 & 2, 2012: This ad was **rejected** by both *The*

Hollywood Reporter and Variety. ["FX TRASHES NUNS"](#)

May 21, 2012: *New York Times*, ["Jon Stewart's Legacy"](#)

May 20, 2012: *Kalamazoo Gazette*, ["What's Happened To Kellogg's?"](#)

October 31, 2011: Ad **rejected** by the *Kansas City Star* (published in the *northeast news*): ["TAKING AIM AT BISHOP FINN"](#)

April 11, 2011, *New York Times*, ["Straight Talk About the Catholic Church"](#)

March 14, 2011, *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*, ["Jeffrey Anderson's Vendetta"](#)

August 2010, ["Mother Teresa Rally"](#) (This ad appeared in the diocesan newspapers of New York, Brooklyn, Hartford, Rockville Centre and Newark)

March 30, 2010, *New York Times*, ["Going for the Vatican Jugular"](#)

October 9, 2008, *New York Times*, ["Pope Pius XII: 50th Anniversary of his Death"](#)

September 22, 2008, *Washington Times*, ["Obama, NARAL and Infanticide"](#)

April 15, 2008, *New York Times*, ["Welcome, Holy Father: Happy Birthday-Happy Anniversary"](#)

June 12, 2007, *New York Times*, ["What's Happened to Barbara Walters?"](#)

February 16, 2007, *New York Times*, ["Presidents' Day Message: Courtesy of John Edwards"](#) **This ad was scheduled to run, but since both Amanda Marcotte and Melissa McEwan quit Edwards' campaign just as the ad was about to run, we pulled it.**

November 28, 2006, *New York Times*, ["Celebrate Diversity:](#)

Celebrate Christmas"

September 25, 2006, *Washington Times*, "[Catholics and Jews Join to Defend Pope Benedict XVI](#)"

June 7, 2006, *New York Times*, "[Scandal in the Church: Four Years Later](#)"

March 6, 2006, *New York Times*, "[Open Letter to Ron Howard: Label 'The Da Vinci Code' Fiction](#)"

September 20, 2004, *New York Times*, "[Censoring Religious Speech](#)"

October 15, 2003, *New York Times*, "[Congratulations, Holy Father on Your Silver Jubilee](#)"

September 16, 2003, *New York Times*, "[Why are the Democrats Insulting Catholics?](#)"

September 15 – October 7, 2003, Various sources, "[Is The Democratic National Committee Anti-Catholic?](#)"

June 7, 2002, *New York Times*, "[All Eyes are on Dallas](#)"

February 19, 2002, *Hartford Courant*, "[An Appeal to Disney Shareholders: Dump Miramax](#)"

November 27, 2001, *New York Times*, "[Calling All Christians, Jews and Muslims](#)"

May 14, 2001, *Variety*, "[An Appeal to Sumner Redstone: Condemn Showtime's Catholic Bashing](#)"

April 10, 2001, *New York Times*, "[Pope Pius XII: 'Righteous Gentile' or 'Hitler's Pope'?](#)"

October 23, 2000, *New York Times*, "[Who Speaks for Catholics?](#)"

August 7, 2000, *Roll Call*, "[Catholic League to Gore: Cancel the Playboy Mansion Fund-Raiser](#)"

June 5, 2000, *New York Times*, "[The Holy See: Champion of Women's Rights](#)"

March 11, 2000, *New York Times*, "[The Revisionist History of '60 Minutes'](#)"

October 26, 1999, *New York Times*, "[Conde Nast has a Problem with Catholicism](#)"

September 25, 1999, *The Tablet*, "[Catholic School Teachers: Please Boycott Brooklyn Museum of Art](#)"

September 12, 1999, *New York Times*, "[Will the Real Censors Please Stand Up!](#)"

June 6, 1999, *New York Times*, "[Appeal to Disney: Dumping 'Dogma' Took Guts Now Dump Miramax](#)"

April 20, 1999, *New York Times*, "[Remembering the Holocaust's 5 Million 'Others'](#)"

March 29, 1999, *San Francisco Chronicle*, "[San Francisco: City of Tolerance?](#)"

October 16, 1998, *New York Times*, "[Pope John Paul II: Enemy of Anti-Semitism](#)"

June 15, 1998, *New York Times*, "[Shylock and Sambo' Hits Broadway](#)"

May 22, 1998, *New York Times*, "[Catholic League's Silver Anniversary \(1973-1998\)](#)"

December 22, 1997, *New York Times*, "[Was the Church Silent During the Holocaust?](#)"

September 8, 1997, *Advertising Age*, "[Thinking About Advertising on ABC's 'Nothing Sacred'? Think Again!](#)"

October 27, 1996, *New York Times*, "[Congratulations, Holy Father](#)"

October 1996, *First Things*, "[Not All Wars are Equally Bad](#)"

October 1, 1995, *New York Times*, "[Welcome, Holy Father](#)"

September 3, 1995, *New York Times*, "[The Holy See: Voice of Sanity in a Sea of Madness](#)"

April 10, 1995, *New York Times*, "[What's Happening to Disney?](#)"

January 20, 1995, *New York Times*, "[An Open Letter to the President of the United States](#)"

November 1, 1994, Washington D.C. buses, "[Facts About Condoms](#)"

October 16, 1994, *New York Times*, "[Congratulations, Holy Father](#)"

September 1, 1994, New York City Subways, "[Welcome Back to School](#)"

August 29, 1994, *New York Times*, "[An Open Letter to the President](#)"

April 24, 1994, New York City Subways, "[Want to Know a Dirty Little Secret? Condoms Don't Save Lives](#)"

February 24, 1994, "[Open Letter to Arsenio Hall](#)"

WHO SPEAKS FOR CATHOLICS?

Below is the text of our ad that ran in the October 23, 2000 New York Times:

WHO SPEAKS FOR CATHOLICS?

Every four years, a radical fringe group called Catholics Speak Out runs a full-page ad in the *New York Times*. It

claims to represent Catholic voters and legitimate Catholic teaching. As a matter of fact, Catholics Speak Out represents a small and insignificant band of Catholic dissenters.

Indeed, they even draw on those who share their views and are not Catholic to help pay the cost of the ad.

This presidential year these dissenters seek to define an alleged Catholic diversity by boasting that it is legitimate Catholic teaching to be either pro-life or pro-abortion. It is not. Just as there are not diverse Catholic teachings on genocide or racial discrimination, there is no legitimate diversity in Catholic teaching on abortion. All three are social evils.

These dissenters are following a politicized agenda. They demand a moratorium on the death penalty, oppose school vouchers for parents, promote new gay rights legislation and speak in terms of “the Earth” as if it were some sort of deity. Yet they proclaim an alleged Catholic pluralism on the most fundamental issue of all—the sacredness of innocent human life.

It is one thing to hold diverse political views as a private citizen, quite another to sell them as representing authentic Catholic teaching. It is time to end this false advertising. Those who want to know Catholic teaching on any subject can access a copy of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. It is the definitive work of the teaching authority of the Catholic Church, not a paid ad from political propagandists.