Catholic-bashing columnist MCs Boston inaugural

James Carroll, a Catholic-bashing *Boston Globe* columnist, served as Master of Ceremonies at the inauguration of Boston's new mayor, Thomas Menino.

In recent memory, according to the Catholic League's Massachusetts-based Operations Director Joe Doyle, Carroll defended Sinead O'Connor's papal photo tantrum on "Saturday Night Live," accused Pius XII of complicity in the Holocaust, and told Pope John Paul II that he owes Israel an apology — among other things.

Doyle called Menino's choice of Carroll "offensive and insensitive to Catholics." He went on to note that the new mayor appeared more interested in "appeasing the *Globe*" than caring about an insult to the Catholic majority in Boston.