

# CHRISTMAS VANDALS GO BERSERK

Here's what Catholic League president Bill Donohue said today about the rash of vandalism this year at Christmastime:

"From nativity scenes to secular Christmas displays, vandals have hit the following places: Homewood, AL; Montgomery, AL; Bella Vista, AR; Van Buren, AR; Eureka Springs, AR; Little Rock, AR; Covina, CA; Fremont, CA; Newport Beach, CA; Fresno, CA; Westminster, CO; Cape Coral, FL; St. Petersburg, FL; St. Lucie West, FL; Port Saint Lucie, FL; Delray Beach, FL; Longboat Key, FL; Galesburg, IL; Belleville, IL; West Frankfort, IL; Cohasset, MA; Brockton, MA; Quincy, MA; Londonderry, MA; Severn, MD; Glen Burnie, MD; Waltz, MI; Port Huron, MI; Marquis Point, MN; Asbury Park, NJ; Trenton, NJ; Old Bridge, NJ; Howell, NJ; Branchville, NJ; Prospect Park, NJ; Hamilton, NJ; Holbrook, NY; Pearl River, NY; Troy, NY; Hilton Head, NC; Wilmington, NC; Dayton, OH; Fremont, OH; Hamilton, OH; Cheviot, OH; Whitaker Park, OK; Medford, OR; Watson town, PA; New Kensington, PA; South Kingstown, RI; Houston, TX; Killeen, TX; Murfreesboro, TN; Draper, UT; Fredricksburg, VA; Eatonville, WA; Seattle, WA; Madison, WI; Oak Hill, WV.

"Some of this is the work of very sick people. In many cases, Christmas decorations in cemeteries have been vandalized, and headstones have been overturned. A large blindfolded Santa was found hanging from a tree in Miami Beach, FL; in Boston, vandals decapitated Santa; Santa had his throat cut in Lincoln, NE; a dead Santa turned up in Oklahoma City, OK; and a bloody Santa holding a severed head was displayed in New York City (this was done intentionally by the homeowners).

"The authorities should throw the book at these people. If they did, we wouldn't have to go through this every year."