

# CLINTON IMPLICATED; ANTI-CATHOLICISM SURFACES

In October, a batch of emails released by Wikileaks implicated Hillary Clinton in a serious anti-Catholic campaign conducted by her top aides. Bill Donohue seized on this issue, taking advantage of many national media opportunities.

Two related stories surfaced: the one from 2011 involves Jennifer Palmieri, Clinton's communications director; the one from 2012 involves her campaign chairman, John Podesta. The latter is the more serious of the two.

Palmieri was engaged in an email exchange with a left-wing activist, John Halpin, over the decision by two prominent media executives to raise their children Catholic. They spoke with derision about News Corp CEO Rupert Murdoch and *Wall Street Journal* managing editor Robert Thomson.

Palmieri ridiculed the men for choosing Catholicism, saying, "Their rich friends wouldn't understand if they became evangelicals." Halpin went further: "Friggin' Murdoch baptized his kids in Jordan where John the Baptist baptized Jesus. It's an amazing bastardization of the faith. They must be attracted to the systematic thought and severely backwards gender relations and must be totally unaware of Christian democracy." Podesta was part of this email chain and never disagreed.

Worse was Podesta's exchange with Sandy Newman, a Jewish left-wing friend. Newman asked Podesta for advice on how best to "plant the seeds of the revolution" [within the Catholic Church]. Podesta boasted that he was on it. He admitted to creating two groups to sabotage the Church: Catholics in Alliance for the Common Good and Catholics United.

Both of these entities are front-groups, dummy Catholic organizations designed to sow division in the Church. They are

funded by George Soros, the atheist self-hating Jewish billionaire. Catholics United was the force behind an IRS probe of the Catholic League in 2008.

When the Palmieri Catholic-bashing story hit, Donohue said Clinton needed to employ sanctions against her and Podesta, though he stressed that she was not responsible. When the Podesta “revolution” story broke, he called for Podesta to be fired. When she refused, he said, “Hillary is now the issue.”

As it turns out, Podesta was just doing Hillary’s bidding. Last year, speaking about abortion, she said, “political will and deep-seated cultural codes, *religious beliefs*, and structural biases have to be changed.” (Our emphasis.) Thus, Podesta’s phony Catholic groups simply accomplished her goal: they made the pro-abortion agenda a cause that Catholics could legitimately rally to, securing the goal of a “revolution” within.

By attempting to crash the Catholic Church, these Clinton operatives crossed ethical boundaries.