

# CSI TO VIEWERS: THE REAL CRIME IS RESPECTING LIFE

The Catholic League was bombarded with complaints this morning about "Secrets and Flies," the November 3 episode of the CBS program *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*. "Secrets and Flies" revolves around the murder of Christina, a single mother. After an autopsy reveals that Christina was a virgin, it is learned that she adopted a fertilized embryo from Project Sunflower, an organization devoted to finding surrogate mothers for abandoned embryos.

Here's what Catholic League president Bill Donohue had to say:

"A talented writer could easily spin an interesting who-done-it from this plot, but *CSI* chose to advance a pro-abortion rights agenda by portraying those who are opposed to abortion as religious nuts not to be taken seriously. The murder victim, who gave life to a baby who would otherwise be left to die, is described as a 'prude' for being chaste. A remark is made about her being 'our Virgin Mary.'

"According to the *CSI* website, the doctor in charge of Project Sunflower is 'a very unlikable woman.' The pro-abortion rights forensic investigators sneer at her work and beliefs, informing us that a pope once decreed that a baby isn't a human until quickening. (Of course, it is not explained that the Church has always considered abortion to be illicit, regardless of the status of the baby. Never mind the fact that we have learned a few new things about biology in a few hundred years.)

"It is a rare Hollywood big-wig who doesn't embrace the right to abortion. Clearly, those in charge at *CSI* don't buck convention. 'Secrets and Flies' speaks volumes about the way CBS executives view those who hold pro-life convictions.

“Americans who respect human life in all of its stages have become the target of public ridicule. Enough is enough. Let CBS know how you feel by visiting [http://www.cbs.com/info/user\\_services/fb\\_global\\_form.shtml](http://www.cbs.com/info/user_services/fb_global_form.shtml).”