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The *Gay and Lesbian Almanac* has a chapter on Religion and Spirituality that contains a gross falsehood. It says that the 1997 U.S. Catholic Bishops' document, "Always Our Children," advises parents "to put their love for their gay children before church doctrine that condemns homosexuality."

The document, which does encourage Catholic parents of gay children not to stop loving them, says nothing about subordinating church teaching on homosexuality to some other interest.

What bothers us most of all is the following disclaimer that appears in the book: "While every effort has been made to ensure the reliability of the information presented in this publication, St. James does not guarantee the accuracy of the data contained herein." We took them up on the next remark by letting them know of the inaccuracy: "Errors brought to the attention of the publisher and verified to the satisfaction of the publisher will be corrected in future editions." Time will tell if this promise will be honored.