

IT'S THOSE CATHOLICS!

In November, a woman was jailed in Miami for prostitution. For some reason, the news wire service, Reuters, felt compelled to note that the 39-year-old hooker was "a former Catholic high school student." Had she at one time worked for Reuters, we doubt that her former status would have been mentioned.

In December, a New Jersey newspaper, *The Press*, did a story entitled, "Former janitor at St. Raymond's in Villas gets 8 years for sex assault on 5-year-old boy." What the story didn't say was that the crimes took place after the offender left St. Raymond's (he had worked there for less than a year). Had the janitor saved the young boy's life, we doubt that his former status would have been mentioned.

Par for the course these days. For Catholics, that is.