

JOHN EDWARDS HIRES TWO ANTI-CATHOLICS

Catholic League president Bill Donohue is demanding that presidential hopeful John Edwards fire two recently hired anti-Catholics who have joined his team: Amanda Marcotte as Blogmaster and Melissa McEwan as the Netroots Coordinator. Here's why:

"Writing on the Pandagon blogsite, December 26, 2006, Amanda Marcotte wrote that 'the Catholic church is not about to let something like compassion for girls get in the way of using the state as an instrument to force women to bear more tithing Catholics.' On October 9, 2006, she said that 'the Pope's gotta tell women who give birth to stillborns that their babies are cast into Satan's maw.' On the same day she wrote that 'it's going to be bad PR for the church, so you can sort of see why the Pope is dragging ass.' And on June 14, 2006, she offered the following Q&A: 'What if Mary had taken Plan B after the Lord filled her with his hot, white, sticky Holy Spirit,' to which she replied, 'You'd have to justify your misogyny with another ancient mythology.'

"On November 21, 2006, Melissa McEwan said on AlterNet that 'some of Christianity's most prominent leaders—including the Pope—regularly speak out against gay tolerance.' On November 1, 2006, on her blogspot Shakespeare's Sister, she referred to President Bush's 'wingnut Christofascist base' when lashing out against religious conservatives. On February 21, 2006, she attacked religious conservatives again, this time saying, 'What don't you lousy motherf—ers understand about keeping your noses out of our britches, our beds, and our families?' Currently, the very first entry under 'Greatest Hits' on her website [where she brags about being appointed to Edwards' campaign] is titled, 'On C—s'. In her article she boasts that she is the 'Queen C— of F—k Mountain.'

“John Edwards is a decent man who has had his campaign tarnished by two anti-Catholic vulgar trash-talking bigots. He has no choice but to fire them immediately.”