

KANSAS CITY CATHOLIC GROUPS SENT KC STAR AD



Catholic League president Bill Donohue speaks to the latest developments regarding its battle with the *Kansas City Star*:

Yesterday, I was joined by Catholic League staff members and scores of Catholics from Kansas City (we never contacted any of them—they showed up after reading our news release on the event) at a press conference outside the *Kansas City Star*. We were delighted with the response: our goal is to energize the Catholic community in defense of Kansas City-St. Joseph Bishop Robert Finn, and to educate everyone about the agenda of SNAP (Survivors Network of Those Abused by Priests) and its lawyers.

The *SNAP*-driven agenda to target Bishop Finn, aided and abetted by the *Star*, is one of the most startling examples of an activist organization pairing with a newspaper for political purposes. Indeed, the *Star*-SNAP alliance smacks of corruption.

Earlier this week, we mailed a few copies of the ad to nearly 100 Catholic churches in the area; nuns, brothers and order priests were also sent copies. We hope the pastors will make copies and distribute them to their parishioners this weekend. An informed public is what we need.

Today, we are mailing copies of the ad to every Catholic lay organization in the area. We feel confident that they will also distribute copies to their family and friends.

Next week we will continue our campaign to blanket the entire

Kansas City, Missouri area with the ad the *Star* doesn't want the public to read. We're like a bad migraine—we're not going away.

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