

KISSLING BLAMES BISHOPS FOR AIDS

Frances Kissling, president of Catholics for a Free Choice (CFFC), announced after Thanksgiving that she was launching a global campaign to change the Catholic Church's teachings on sexuality. She wants to end what she calls "the Catholic bishops' ban on condoms." The ad reads as follows: "Catholic people care. Do our bishops? Because the bishops ban condoms, innocent people die."

Kissling went so far as to say, "The Vatican and the world's bishops bear significant responsibility for the death of thousands of people who have died from AIDS."

We released a statement informing the media what they need to know about CFFC. Here are the facts:

It has no members

- It wouldn't exist without the largesse of the Ford Foundation and other elites who hate the Catholic Church's teachings on sexuality
- Its president, Frances Kissling, long ago excommunicated herself from the Catholic Church for illegally operating abortion clinics overseas
- One of Kissling's longtime associates, Marjorie Reiley Maguire, has testified that none of those active in CFFC attend Mass and that the group is profoundly "anti-woman"
- Kissling has expressly stated (in a *Mother Jones* interview) that her goal is to "overthrow" the Catholic Church

- Catholic bishops have twice condemned the group for falsely posturing itself as Catholic

Regarding Kissling's latest tirade, we couldn't resist remarking that the bishops have found a way to stop the spread of AIDS: practice restraint. We added our own good advice: "only fools think condoms are foolproof." We are happy that Bill O'Reilly picked up on our news release, invited Kissling to defend herself, and then let her have it.