

# LEGION OF CHRIST UNFAIRLY MALIGNED IN CHICAGO

The Legion of Christ, an order of Catholic priests, is staging a big conference this weekend in Chicago. As reported yesterday in the *Chicago Tribune*, some of the locals are not too happy about the event.

Catholic League president William Donohue commented on this today:

“Devotees of diversity should roll out the red carpet in Chicago for the Legion of Christ. After all, what the Legionaries represent is unwavering fidelity to the Magisterium of the Catholic Church. But, of course, this is not happening: the high priests of tolerance are once again expressing their intolerance for—you guessed—diversity.

“It is precisely because the Legion of Christ has decisively rejected the thinking of Catholic malcontents that they are the source of so much calumny these days. Having met many Legionaries, I can honestly say they are among the most inspiring young priests I have ever met. For the record, it is also true that some of the best priests I have ever met are Jesuits and they, too, are often unfairly maligned. As in any group, there will always be some who are an embarrassment, but they are the exception, not the rule.

“It is time to get beyond the stereotypes and the caricatures. It is also time to get beyond those who, for whatever reason, hold grudges and espouse an agenda. The Legion of Christ is an exemplary order of priests who should truly be welcomed by all Chicagoans.”