"MALL CONFESSIONS"

In October, MTV, the popular youth rock cable TV channel, is offering its version of reality TV. "Mall Confessions" features teens who will reveal lurid sins in a "confessional."

When we first heard about this we didn't like the sound of it, so Pat Scully gave MTV a ring. They were quite responsive and assured him that MTV was not trying to parody Catholicism. Teens will be "confessing" in an RV driven to malls across the country and no one will be with them; there will no "absolution," etc. We'll monitor this one nonetheless.