MICHAEL SAVAGE(S) CATHOLICISM

Here is what radio talk-show host Michael Savage had to say on March 28 about the Catholic Church's response to the immigration issue:

It is a pig story! It's Animal Farm all over again. And also make no bones about it, it's the greedy Catholic Church that was behind it because the people of America walked away from the molesters' dens and they need to bring in people from the Third World who are still gullible enough to sit there and listen to the molesters...the Roman Catholic Church was behind this, the Roman Catholic Church started this a year ago. The Roman Catholic Church flooded the streets because they cannot get parishioners anymore amongst educated white people who have caught onto the racket and instead they need to import dummies to sit in the church pews. That's the story and it is not difficult for you to understand—I'm telling you the truth. It's all about greed. It's greed at the top of the Catholic Church.

Make no mistake about why this is happening. This has nothing to do with compassion for Mexican workers. This has nothing to do with fairness for Mexican workers—it has to do with the greed.... That's all there is to it. And that includes the Catholic Church pigs. And if you don't like it, don't listen to the show—I really don't care anymore. I'm not going to be duped by this sanctimonious garbage that all churches are good and that the institution itself is good. Bah humbug. The institution is rotten from the top to the bottom.

Bill Donohue responded as follows:

"I was scheduled to be on with Mike Savage the day he savaged the Catholic Church and made bigoted comments about Latinos. But in the pre-interview—which occurred just a half hour before Savage went ballistic—I let a producer know that I did not share the host's position; after he checked with Savage, I was told they would not have me on the show. That was fine, but what is not fine is Savage's diatribe about the 'greedy pigs' in the Catholic Church and how 'the institution is rotten from the top to the bottom.' He owes all Catholics an apology."

The next day, Mike spent the better part of an hour discussing Donohue's comments. We think the message has been delivered that he was way out of bounds.