

# NEW YORK TIMES ERRS AGAIN

An editorial that recently appeared in the *New York Times* cited the Vatican's disciplinary action against its former ambassador to the Dominican Republic, the now-defrocked Archbishop Jozef Wesolowski. It invoked Pope Francis' promise that "in the pedophilia scandal 'there are no privileges.'"

The *Times* erred again by repeating the myth of a pedophilia scandal: 100 percent of the victimizers were male; 81 percent of the victims were male; and 78 percent were postpubescent. That would make it a homosexual scandal. Indeed, less than 5 percent of these cases involve pedophilia.

The boys the archbishop abused were teenagers, meaning that homosexuality, not pedophilia, was in play. The distinction is important.