PROVIDENCE BISHOP TOBIN UNDER FIRE

Catholic League president Bill Donohue comments on remarks made over the weekend by Diocese of Providence Bishop Thomas Tobin:

Providence Bishop Thomas Tobin has incurred the wrath of homosexuals and their alphabet ilk for tweeting on June 1 that Catholics should not support LGBTQ "Pride Month" events. He tweeted that such celebrations "promote a culture and encourage activities that are contrary to Catholic faith and morals. They are especially harmful to children."

Immediately, the bishop was bombarded with 70,000 comments on Twitter, some calling on him to resign. Tobin responded on June 2 by saying, "I regret that my comments yesterday about Pride Month have turned out to be so controversial in our community, and offensive to some, especially in the gay community." He did not intend to hurt anyone, he said. He also acknowledged the "widespread support I have received on this matter."

Bishop Tobin was right to call attention to the gay culture and what Pride Month entails. While many of the events are without controversy, some are obnoxious. There are pictures from the 2017 Providence Pride Month that are disgusting.

Unlike virtually every other parade that celebrates the heritage of various racial, ethnic, and religious groups, as well as marches that honor immigrant nations, many of the participants in Pride events have a hard time keeping their pants on. No one has ever explained why this is such a common occurrence.

Pictures from the Providence Pride Month, posted by J.S. Photography, show lesbians wearing t-shirts inscribed with obscenities, as well as bare-breasted women adorned with nipple shields. Lots of men are shown parading atop floats wearing nothing but skin-tight briefs, or less.

This is not exactly what we would expect from any other demographic group. But these homosexuals are different.

Then there are the demonstrations of debauchery. One of the nightlife venues promoted by Pride Month is Mirabar, a gay dance club. But it's not a normal dance spot. This year it is featuring a "Bare As You Dare" party. Posted online is its dress code: "Bathing Suits or Underwear or Whatever."

Imagine a Salute to Israel parade, a St. Patrick's Day parade, or a Puerto Rican Day parade where participants are invited to party in their underwear, or wearing "whatever." It just wouldn't happen. But these homosexuals are different.

Joe Lazzerini is the president of Rhode Island Pride. He is not too happy with Bishop Tobin. But we are. Lazzerini and the Catholic League also disagree on something that is more important-the existence of truth. This year's PrideFest on June 15 is called "Live Your Truth."

"Live Your Truth" is an oxymoron: While there are many opinions, there is only one truth. And it is one that Bishop Tobin accurately enunciated on June 1.

GILLIBRAND DENIES INFANTICIDE IS LEGAL

Catholic League president Bill Donohue comments on Kirsten Gillibrand's remark about infanticide in last night's Fox News

town hall interview:

New York Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand either lied about, or expressed her ignorance of, the legalization of selective infanticide in some states. She told Fox News reporter Chris Wallace, "Infanticide does not exist."

Gillibrand should know better. That is because it is her Party, the Democratic Party, that has shown the most enthusiasm for the legalization of infanticide.

The first Democrat to support infanticide was an Illinois state senator by the name of <u>Barack Obama</u>. In that capacity, he led the fight to deny medical care to infants born alive following a botched abortion; he was okay letting them die unattended by hospital staff.

Earlier this year, Gillibrand's own governor, Andrew Cuomo, promoted a bill, which he signed, that provides no legal penalties to any medical staff person who intentionally allows a child born as a result of a botched abortion to die.

Another Democrat, Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam, liked what Cuomo did so much that he followed suit. He said that if a mother sought to abort her baby, but the baby was born anyway, "the infant would be resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family decide, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians and the mother." To show how compassionate he is, Northam said the baby would be "kept comfortable" before they put him down or let him die.

Yet another Democrat, Montana Gov. Steve Bullock, recently vetoed the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act, a law that would have required children born alive who survived an abortion to be treated like any other human being. He did this last month. Not only that, he is running for president and is competing against Gillibrand. Guess this got by her as well.

It is one thing not to be up to snuff on some highly technical

and complicated policies, quite another not to know about elementary life and death issues that have recently been in the news. Gillibrand is a dunce. The good news is that her campaign is going nowhere.