

THE ARROGANCE OF THE WASHINGTON POST

In a May 17 editorial, the *Washington Post* said it was “shocking” that Donald Cardinal Wuerl would criticize Georgetown University for inviting Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius to speak at one of the university’s commencement exercises.

We found it shocking that the *Post* would involve itself in the internal affairs of the Catholic Church. If Cardinal Wuerl were to criticize the Washington Post for disciplining one of its miscreant reporters, we would never hear the end of it.

The editorial board looked positively foolish when it spoke about the importance of “the free exchange of ideas.” So are we to conclude that all ideas should freely be exchanged on campus, and that their proponents should be welcomed at a Catholic university? If so, this would include spokesmen ranging from the Flat Earth Society to the Ku Klux Klan.

The fact is that the editorial board of the *Washington Post* loves abortion rights, loves President Obama, and loves self-identified Catholics who love abortion rights, love Obama, and publicly reject the teachings of the Catholic Church on abortion. This is why they love Kathleen Sebelius.

Georgetown is home to two pro-abortion groups, so it is hardly surprising to learn that it would seek a confrontation by inviting Sebelius—next to Obama, she is the most pro-abortion person in public life today.

We are proud of Cardinal Wuerl for standing on principle: he stands in stark relief to the journalistic arrogance of the *Washington Post*.