

THE ARROGANCE OF THE WASHINGTON POST

The Washington Post

Catholic League president Bill Donohue comments on an editorial in today's *Washington Post*:

The *Washington Post* says it is “shocking” that Donald Cardinal Wuerl would criticize Georgetown University for inviting Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius to speak at one of the commencement exercises tomorrow. We find it shocking that the *Washington 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 looks positively foolish when it speaks 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 its 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. Which 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.

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