## VIRGIN MARY DEFILED ON "SOUTH PARK"

The Comedy Central show, "South Park," reran an episode last night that the station's officials previously said would not air again. Titled "Bloody Mary," the episode depicts a statute of the Virgin Mary spraying blood from her vagina into the cartoon-face of Pope Benedict XVI.

Catholic League president Bill Donohue offered these remarks today:

"On December 29, 2005, we received a phone call from Tony Fox, the executive vice president for corporate communications at Comedy Central, informing us that there were no plans to rerun 'Bloody Mary.' Fox's call followed a sustained protest by the Catholic League that resulted in getting Joe Califano, a member of Viacom's board of directors (Viacom owns MTV and Comedy Central is a subsidiary of MTV), to intervene in this matter; unfortunately, Califano is no longer on Viacom's board. But now Comedy Central has reneged on its promise.

"Those who work at Comedy Central are cowards: to this day, they refuse to air a mere picture of the prophet Muhammad. That's because they know that if they do, some Muslims may kill them. Nice lesson they're sending the rest of us.

"The 'Bloody Mary' episode was written, produced and distributed by men and women who were sober and have a long track record of attacking Christians. But it failed to hit Hollywood's hot button. How revealing."

Here's how to register a protest: tony.fox@comedycentral.com