

# No Women Priests

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The first is an examination of the "Church's constant tradition," described as normative and based on the example of Christ and the Church of apostolic times, as well as its own unbroken practice of not ordaining women.

The second part is a theological reflection which the declaration explicitly states is not a "demonstrative argument." Here the document suggests that the role of a priest as representative or "sign" of Christ in celebrating the Eucharist and administering the sacraments rules out the admission of women to the priesthood.

almost to the day. Shock. Double shock. Ten years of a rutted existence are not easily erased.

Slowly, very slowly, I adjusted. And then with my usual propensity for extremes I became addicted to the new schedule. I decided, that there was nothing more beautiful than the quiet of a spring morning before the rest of the world wakes. Indeed, any morning, dead of winter or muggy summer, is precious. I had missed the dawning for so many years I became greedy and fearful of letting even one more go by without experiencing it. Moderately early bedtime became a must.

The ex-morning newspaperman also has become an early riser, even on days off. The quiet time before the kids descend to rattle cereal boxes and television dials is very special.

Being a morning person on weekends is not easy. I must control the urge to use the telephone, try to explain graciously to hostesses why I must get home early on Friday nights and forgo the pleasure of watching my favorite Grade B movies on late shows. The early bird may not swing like the night owl did. But the view by daylight is definitely better.

In a brief conclusion, the document rejects the argument that the equality of the natural rights of women and men means women have a right to priestly ordination. "To consider the ministerial priesthood as a human right would be to misjudge its character completely," it says.

Although some women feel they have a vocation to the priesthood, it adds, "A vocation cannot be reduced to a mere personal attraction... since the priesthood is a particular ministry of which the Church has received the charge and control, authentication by the Church is indispensable here and is a constitutive part of the vocation."

The declaration states:

"It therefore remains for us to meditate more deeply on the nature of the real equality of the baptized which is one of the great affirmations of Christianity: equality in no way identity, for the Church is a differentiated body, in which each individual has his or her role.

"The roles are distinct, and must not be confused; they do not favor the superiority of some vis-a-vis the others, nor do they provide an excuse for jealousy; the only better gift, which can and must be desired is love. The greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven are not the ministers but the saints."



Sarah Child

Syndicated columnist Ellen Goodman recently admitted in print that she was a morning person. She got the courage to "come out of the closet," she said, after learning that our new president likes to rise and retire at an early hour.

Add this writer to that unfashionable list. It occurred to me that I belong there the other evening upon arriving home from a get-together well before midnight. In recent years we frequently have been the last to arrive at parties, almost always the first to leave. And without getting messy about it, I will say simply that my life's companion and I don't always see eye to eye on the subject.

As it happens, I love parties, people and stimulating conversation at any time of the day or night. But I like them best of all in the morning.

At my husband's invitation, my favorite meal to eat out is breakfast. And while I am honored by the hostess who invites me to dinner I'm absolutely crazy about the one who asks me to lunch. As a realist and a sometimes hostess myself, I understand it is easier to get people together in the evening. But the preference here is definitely for the a.m. I do not shine at night.

I did not start this way. My mother likes to remind me that as an infant and toddler I never would settle down before midnight and then slept until noon.

As a high school and college student I continued this pattern, reading with flashlight under cover to foil parents and later the nuns.

Then, in what was a most fortunate stroke of luck, I was hired to work on a morning newspaper where I could match my routine to my natural bent. Working until midnight or 1 a.m. and retiring at sunrise was not uncommon. A switch to an even larger morning newspaper where social life did not start until the wee hours reinforced my life style. Often during winter months I would miss daylight all together.

Marriage and the arrival of a child did not alter the pattern. I married a morning newspaperman. The baby and I would wait up for her daddy and all of us slept mornings.

Then panic time set in. The arrival of a second baby, this one diurnal, and a switch to a daytime job for the breadwinner coincided

# Schools Impact

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potential teachers graduate from colleges and universities each year. Yet, the special qualities needed for teachers in the Catholic School System go beyond the professional degree. We expect our teachers to realize their mission to further the message of the Divine Teacher through the ministry of Catholic Education.

The full impact of the education hoped for through the Catholic Schools cannot be realized without the cooperation, support and example of parents. More and more we turn to parents for a voice in the decisions regarding the direction and needs of our schools. They are the primary educators and co-workers with the professionals serving in our schools. We urge them to continue to use their influence to promote legislation that will continue to make it possible to have a free choice in the type of education selected for one's children. (The voice of the people will be heard in our democratic system of govern-

ment.)

The contribution being made by School Boards and Education Committees to assist the administrators in developing policies for the local schools is a commendable one. The many hours of study and meetings in which these interested members participate, help to strengthen the total school program. The needs and concerns of the school clientele can be addressed and served through these collegial groups. Through discussion, dialogue and consensus, constructive decisions and direction can be reached.

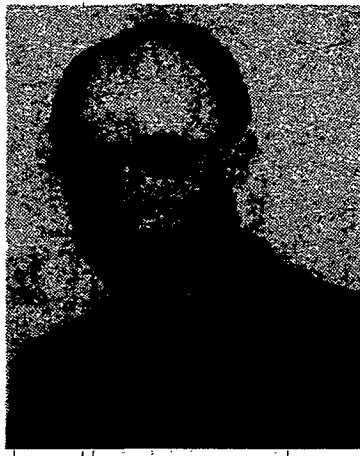
The theme adopted by the National Association of Catholic education for this year's Catholic Schools' Week is "Catholic Schools—a Plus for America." I say, "Yes" to that and respond beyond — "Catholic Schools — a Plus for our Diocese."

*Joseph L. Hogan*  
Bishop of Rochester

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Loans and Contracts made to Facilitate Sale of Real Estate ..... 302,434	Other Liabilities ..... 3,461,586
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Fixed Assets Less Depreciation ..... 978,118	Surplus ..... 727,435 4,027,435
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