

# More Opinions

## Readers Deny Column's Point

Editor:

We, the undersigned, do categorically and emphatically reject and deny the teaching currently popular in some "catholic" circles that the Divinity of Our Blessed Lord Christ Jesus was unknown to Him until He reached self-awareness at His Baptism (Courier-Journal, Insights into Liturgy 1/5/76).

We base this rejection on our knowledge of authentic Church teachings as formulated and defined in the Councils of Nicea I (325), Constantinople I (381), Ephesus (431), Chalcedon (451) and reaffirmed by Popes Pius X (Lamentabile Sane), Benedict XV (Decree: On the Knowledge in the Soul of Christ), and Pius XII (Mystici Corporis n 75).

We base this rejection also on the Bible, St. Thomas Aquinas (Summa Theologica III), the inspired writings of Dom Alfred Graham, OSB, (The Christ of Catholicism), the Catholic Biblical Encyclopedia which states: "From the moment of His existence, the Soul of Christ Jesus enjoyed the Beatific Vision of God. . . It may be proven theologically that from the first moment of his conception, the Soul of Christ possessed a knowledge directly and immediately infused."

Finally Archbishop Fulton

J. Sheen (Life of Christ p.42-43) says: "If there is anything that dispels the false assumption that His consciousness of a union with the Father developed gradually, it is this text in which He, as a Boy of twelve, hinted at His mysterious origin and at the peculiar foster character of His father as well as at His perfectly conscious unity with the Godhead. . . There was no gradual revelation to His mind, no new understanding of why He had come."

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(Editor's Note: Reader Acciari's letter also was signed by the following: Mrs. Judith Tobin, Gerald Trower, Mrs. Amie De Berger, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Hussar, L. Cpl. Laura B. Stott, Alban Reichart, Allan and JoAnn Purcell, Gerald and Joan Hanna, Mrs. Shirley Schuhart, Dr. and Mrs. Nino Trunfio, Miss Muriel Ackroyd, Mrs. Theresa M. Lawson, Mrs. Pat Amato, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Murray, Richard and Theresa Hussar, Garrett Lansing, Mrs. Theresa M. Peffacca, Mr. and Mrs. William Dykstra, Mrs. Anne Phillips, Mrs. Margaret Ver Hoeven, Mrs. Francis Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Faulkner, Mrs. Arlene O'Connor, Maurice Brunner, Mrs. Carol Leary, Miss Kay MacDonald, Mrs. Ida Dentino, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Morgan, Mrs. Mary Kelly, Mrs. Joan

Mueller, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Hober, Mr. and Mrs. John Hogan, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Burke, Nick and Rita Koomen, Miss Jean Marie Hill, Mrs. Betty Thompson, Mrs. Mildred Ryan, Mrs. Marylou Reifsnnyder, John and Rosaleen Smith, Mrs. Raymond Gleason, Mrs. Helen Sconfiatti.)

## 'Help Available For Gays'

Editor:

The Democrat & Chronicle (1-29-77 2B) carried a news item which read, "Four area clergymen yesterday issued a statement for gay rights. . ." They said, "homosexuals should have full human and civil rights." Permit me to point out that homosexuals already have all human rights. They have the right to be regarded as human beings and to marry like other people. They also have the usual civil rights; the right to vote and trial by jury.

Gays are not asking for full human and civil rights but rather for public approval of a way of life which is contrary to nature and regarded as intolerable by all civilized people. Even the atheistic government of Communist Russia refuses to tolerate homosexuals in its armed forces.

Active homosexuals are

people who live lives of fornication. They are not married to those with whom they are having sexual relations.

It is sometimes contended that gays cannot avoid their way of life because they are homosexual by nature. That is not true. Homosexuality can be overcome the same as alcoholism and drug addiction. There are organizations dedicated to helping the homosexual as Alcoholics Anonymous and other groups are working to help the alcoholic and the drug addict. In recent months, Guy Charles, the founder and director of Liberation, an organization which has met with considerable success in its work among the homosexuals, lectured in a number of local and area churches. Readers wishing to learn more about Liberation, its founder, history and work, should contact the churches where Guy Charles has lectured; or write directly to Liberation, Box 687, Arlington Virginia, 22216.

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## Agrees With Editorial

Editor:

I am not of the Catholic faith but I enjoy reading your paper. I agree with your splendid and timely

editorial *The Game* that the hallowed words of the Pope must never be used carelessly. You mentioned the United Nations which for the most part enjoys the support of the Vatican, and one of your columnists came to my mind.

After reading in your paper (Life, Liberty and Law) about the dreadful UNICEF and WHO contraceptive, sterilization and abortion experiments, I sent for Mrs. Murphy's documentation list. Of the 21 documents, one was an art book; but the rest were all from the London, Geneva or New York offices of UNICEF or WHO. True to your editorial code, not one document quoted the Pope.

The rest of your columnists? I get a kick out of the family vignettes so colorfully and lovingly drawn by Sarah Child; I love Father Cuddy; I wish Father Hohman was more precisely Catholic; Father Greeley is annoyingly inconsistent; and Father Shamon is very priestly, very holy (rare these days). Of course your best "columnist" is Pope Paul VI himself.

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## Overlapping Ups Taxes

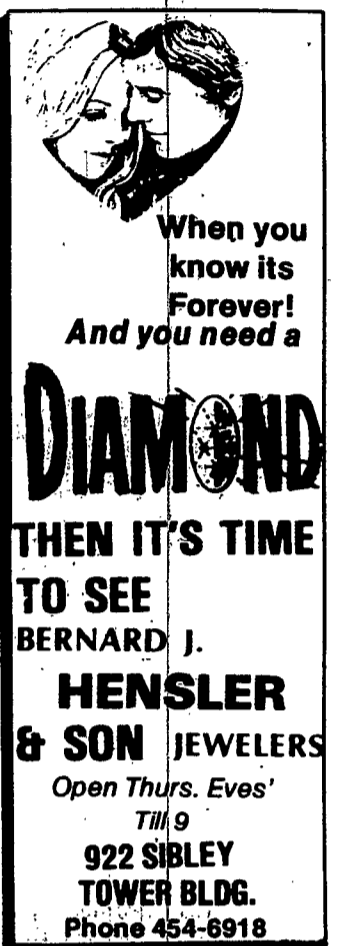
Editor:

Your readers must stop

and think of the high taxes in the County of Monroe and towns. The best way to reduce these taxes is to deplete the monies spent on law enforcement.

The overlapping duties of town, city, county, departments of police must be abolished.

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