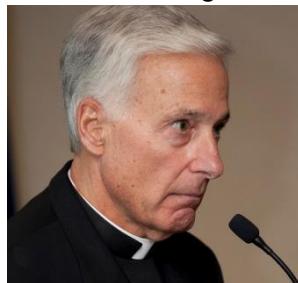


# "You might not have a church to go to if you don't vote the right way in November" - Fr. Michael Orsi

## THE CATHOLIC VOTE IS SPLIT

Too bad. If united, Catholics could control the outcome of the election, protect the Church and move the country in a direction more attuned to the values of the Church. But we are split between Catholics who deem the sanctity of life as the pre-eminent issue (conservatives) and those for whom care for the poor, the vulnerable and the stranger among us is the more cogent concern (progressives). But there is an issue that should unite us. If ignored then both groups face persecution and neither will be free to carry out their mission.



## CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING ACTUAL CASES

- 1) The Little Sisters of the Poor just want to take care of old people and practice their faith. Yet there are people in this country who would rather prevent them from doing the former than let them do the latter.
- 2) Catholic Social Services in Massachusetts took care of orphans for over one hundred years, but there are people who put them out of business rather than let them practice their faith which required not placing orphans with gay couples.
- 3) There are people who preferred to see Catholic Charities stop providing aid to refugees rather than let them do so without also providing contraception and abortion.
- 4) There are people who preferred to see a county clerk in Kentucky thrown in jail rather than figure out how to let her do her job in such a way as not to be cooperating with what she believed and what the Catholic Church teaches is grave sin.
- 5) There are people who have chosen to drive bakers in Washington out of business rather than allow them to commit the same "crime" of not cooperating with sin.
- 6) There are people who would rather see a military chaplain disciplined than let him provide spiritual advice that is not politically correct.
- 7) There are people who fired a football coach rather than let him pray voluntarily after a football game.

- 8) There are people who want men to be free to go into girls and women's bathrooms and locker rooms.
- 9) And there are people who not only want to be free to kill babies until the moment of birth, and even during birth, but want all of us to pay for it.

## A TWO PART PATTERN THAT'S HARD TO MISS

- 1) In each case above the Church and the faithful (both conservatives and progressives) are being prevented from carrying out their mission; and
- 2) The people who are taking away these freedoms all belong to the same political party. If you know which party that is, it proves the point.

Shouldn't the issue of the freedom of the Church to carry out its mission and of the faithful to practice their religion in public be the preeminent concern for all Catholic voters and indeed all true Christians and Americans? We have every reason to unite in opposition to the easy to identify people who are perpetrating these injustices. If we don't unite against these attacks by voting these people out of office, then we and our Church will soon no longer have the freedom to either battle the wanton destruction of human life called abortion, or to care for the poor, the vulnerable and the stranger among us.

## YOU MIGHT NOT HAVE A CHURCH TO GO TO IF YOU DON'T VOTE THE RIGHT WAY IN NOVEMBER

Father Michael Orsi of St. Agnes Parish in Naples Florida and former chaplain of Ave Maria Law School, in reminding pastors that they are allowed to be political in church and in urging them to "speak truth to power", told them, "**You might not have a church to go to if you don't vote the right way in November.**" Was he exaggerating or was he right? Can we afford to vote the wrong way, or not vote at all, and find out?

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