

# 'Limes' backers target Catholic Church via Bernardin sex scandal

by Anita Gallagher

Those ruling families who are waging an all-out war on the Catholic Church as the major institutional obstacle to their genocidal plans, stand to benefit most from the highly publicized sex scandal around Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of Chicago. They wish to destroy the Catholic Church in order to destroy all opposition based on morality, to the erecting of a new imperial wall, "Limes," to fence off the 85% of the world's people condemned to die within a disintegrating *terra incognita*.

The Bernardin sex scandal hype follows the May 25 murder of Mexican Cardinal Juan Jesús Posadas Ocampo by a drug gang, which church and secular leaders alike have identified as an assassination.

A number of oligarchist spokesmen have recently cited the Catholic Church as the institutional opposition to such a new "Dark Age" liquidation. Social Democrat Erhard Eppler, in a cover story in the influential German news weekly *Der Spiegel* in late 1993, lauded the thesis of French author Jean-Christophe Rufin promoting a new Limes—the wall which the Roman Empire built to keep out the barbarians during its collapse. Eppler gloated that Rufin's thesis proves that the old idea of development is dead, since Third World development would allegedly wreck the environment. Eppler claimed that the greatest damage caused by the Limes principle would be to the Catholic Church, which has constantly stressed compassion and solidarity with the Third World.

Ironically, Cardinal Bernardin has long consorted with the very same "New Age" forces which are now engineering his demise.

## The 'recovered memory' hoax

The accusations of pedophilia against Cardinal Bernardin dominated the November semi-annual meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington. On the eve of the meeting, a \$10 million civil lawsuit, filed Nov. 12 by 32-year-old Steven J. Cook, who is dying of AIDS, charged that Bernardin and Father Ellis N. Harsham, sexually molested Cook in the 1975-77 period, when he was a high school student in Cincinnati. Cardinal Bernardin sought a separate trial from Father Harsham, who has been disciplined previously for sexual abuse of three boys. The motion was

denied. This augurs badly for the archbishop when the case comes to trial next May.

On Nov. 27, the *Washington Post* revealed that Cook discovered that he had been molested only in October 1993—after a therapy session based on the fraudulent technique of "recovered memory." Professional psychiatrists and psychologists have denounced this technique, in which therapists' suggestions are implanted in the patient's mind. The technique reportedly originated with the lower echelons of the therapeutic profession, such as marriage counselors and social workers. The notion that trauma causes memory to be blocked, rather than retained and magnified, flies in the face of decades of trauma research, especially that involving Holocaust survivors.

Paul McHugh, Director of Psychiatry at Johns Hopkins University Hospital in Baltimore, ridiculed the technique in his interview in the *Washington Post*. McHugh compared the recent crop of "recovered memory" cases to the mass release of psychiatric patients in the 1970s, citing both as mistakes caused by following the "cultural fashion" of the day. McHugh and University of Washington psychologist Elizabeth Loftus say that traumas produce *vivid* memories, not blocked ones. McHugh cited the case of the kidnapped children of Chowchilla, California, who were buried alive in their schoolbus, as well as World War II concentration camp survivors. "They have intense memories. They can't get the memory out of their mind. That's the problem—the over-remembering," McHugh said.

The American Medical Association went further, warning that memories of abuse are being *created* by the psychologists. At its annual meeting, the AMA passed a resolution condemning the "misuse of hypnosis and other techniques in memory enhancement" as "fraught with potential misapplication in the area of childhood sexual abuse." Loftus said, "No experiments have demonstrated that memories can be repressed and then reliably recovered."

## The real story

The Catholic Church, as the most organized rallying point of Christianity, has been under attack by forces which believe that they can only continue to rule this planet in the

coming collapse by destroying the belief that man is created in God's image (*imago Dei*), and that therefore human life is sacred.

Publicizing sex scandals to defame the Catholic clergy is a standard tactic of the satanic Scottish Rite Freemasons. The U.S. journal of Scottish Rite Freemasonry, *The New Age*, has trumpeted every real or imagined sex scandal involving the celibate Catholic clergy since the magazine's inception. The recent sex scandals have also cost the Catholic Church hundreds of millions of dollars to settle out of court in the current hostile political climate, according to a Reuters wire of Dec. 10.

The Diocese of Santa Fe, New Mexico, site of a treatment center for priests run by the Servants of the Paraclete, is now on the brink of bankruptcy. Half its \$50 million shortfall is due to civil judgments against 24 priests who relapsed after treatment for child abuse. Lloyds of London, the diocese's principal insurer for "clergy malpractice," refuses to pay the civil judgments, claiming the diocese should not have expected the priests to be rehabilitated. Cardinal Bernardin stated that the Archdiocese of Chicago (once the richest in the United States), could be bankrupt in four years.

Some media claim that it is the priestly vow of celibacy which is driving priests to fornication and pedophilia. An individual's decision to live a celibate life for a higher purpose is a special target for those who would assert that man is no more than an animal.

In the Catholic Church's view, celibacy is a manifestation of the notion that man's identity is not defined by irresistible animal instincts, but rather in his mental power to understand natural law and act in accord with it. The oligarchic families respond to this idea with a species hatred. They see man as a mere beast, who should have the freedom, not to discover the laws of the universe that God created, but to act out every bestial impulse, as expressed in the Luciferian precept, "Do as thou wilt."

Christ called upon his 12 apostles to leave their families and follow him. The church interpreted this aspect of its mission in priestly celibacy, seen as a practical demonstration that those called to the religious life can live according to man's higher nature. The thinking behind celibacy draws upon this passage by St. Paul, found in I Corinthians 7:

"It is good for man not to touch woman. Yet for fear of fornication, let each man have his own wife, and each woman her own husband. . . . But this I say by way of concession, not by way of commandment. . . . For I would that you all were as I am myself." And,

"I would have you free from care. He who is unmarried is concerned with the things of the Lord, how he may please God. Whereas he who is married is concerned about the things of this world, how he may please his wife, and he is divided."

Are there instances of pedophilia and homosexuality among the Catholic clergy? Undoubtedly, as former priest

James Porter's guilty plea to abuse of 28 children in Massachusetts shows.

In the mid-1980s, foreign observers close to newly elected Pope John Paul II noted a widespread effort to infiltrate homosexuals into U.S. seminaries (via the same "don't ask, don't tell" policy recently instituted for the U.S. armed services). This operation set up the discrediting of the church and the potential for financial warfare penalties from the inside, while on the outside, a climate of scandal was built around all clergy, Catholic as well as other denominations.

Can it be a coincidence that, while all manner of vital legislation is paralyzed across the United States, and only a tiny number of the bills introduced into legislative bodies actually becomes law, nevertheless, since 1988 alone, 23 states have lifted statutes of limitation for civil suits alleging child abuse? This open-ended period for accusations has been essential to the creation of a wave of lawsuits and money-damage verdicts, particularly those based on the fraud of "recovered memory." Previously, a limit would have been approximately five years. "Victim" organizations and networks have sprung up across the United States.

### **'American heresy' weakness**

Ironically, while Pope John Paul II refuses to compromise on the leading role of the Catholic Church to defend the family, the dignity of man, and the existence of truth itself (see the recent encyclical *Veritatis Splendor*), many American bishops are doing the opposite, and accommodating to the New Age forces preaching cultural relativism. They say that the church should adapt to the opinions of its members, the press, and even Satan's helpers themselves. This is the historic weakness of the American church which Pope Leo XIII rebuked in 1899—the desire to be popular and go along with prevailing opinion, known as the "American heresy."

Last September, the now-besieged Cardinal Bernardin co-sponsored a two-week-long "Second Parliament of the World's Religions," in which witches, worshippers of the earth mother Gaia, Zoroastrians, and 120 other "religions" participated. Another prominent participant was the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, a freemasonic-spawned organization which has spearheaded the fraud of "separation of church and state" as a cover for pushing paganism and atheism. At its conclusion, the conference produced a "Declaration of a Global Ethic," with no mention of God, to replace the Ten Commandments. Two months later, Cardinal Bernardin revealed that a woman accused him of molesting her at a satanic ritual in Charleston, South Carolina, 35 years ago.

The cardinal sponsored a witches' sabbath, which attacked truth, and the church's authority to bear witness to that truth in the world, and the individual's duty to discover the truth, whether or not that truth happens to be popular in a particular society. Now, the same New Age networks with which the cardinal has consorted, have bitten the cardinal.