

The Truth in Love - Are the past 100+ Lifesite news articles about Pope Francis “Authentic News” or Anti-Christ’s Vicar propaganda? What does the data show? By Guy Murphy 09/08/19

Praise be to Jesus and Mary, now and forever. LifeSite News has been pro-life, which makes their message very appealing to many who have been fighting for an end to abortion and the culture of death. What is troubling is many people report that Lifesite frequently undermines and attacks our beloved Pope Francis! For this reason, we will look at the data to see if Lifesite is a bearer of Fake News. We have included below a list of the past 100 articles since Aug 8, 2019, the feast of St. Dominic, where Life Site News mentions the Vicar of Christ or his works. You can press (CTRL + CLICK) to follow the links to the actual article.

The reason this is so troubling is because we know the truth; Jesus Christ is the Lord of Lords and the King of Kings. Jesus, our God, established the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Jesus Christ is the invisible Head of the Church, but the Pope is the visible Head (CCC #881, Matthew 16).

Further, we know the scriptures tell us, “you can tell a tree by it’s fruit” (Mt. 7:20). Our experience of interacting with well over 5000 people on our data base shows us that many of them have been completely scandalized or lost their love or respect for the Vicar of Christ. Very often they quote multiple articles from Life-Site News as the source of their agitation. One person even said, "How can I not hate Pope Francis, the Vicar of Christ?"

Let us imagine Jesus walking the earth 2000 years ago. Who were Jesus' real enemies? Who were the instruments that Satan used to kill Jesus Christ? In Matthew 27 it is clear, that Pontius Pilate did not want to kill Jesus, however, the Pharisees and the Sadducees did. Luke 20:20 is telling, there we find the Pharisee Fake News was the method they used to destroy Jesus.

The Pharisees ignored all the good Jesus did, distorted other facts, and made speculations and accusations. They spewed negative fake news because they wanted to kill Jesus. Unfortunately, they were His mortal enemies (John 10). Consequently, if people just listened to the Pharisee Fake News and did not listen to Jesus Christ themselves, their impression of Jesus would have been terrible and far from the truth of who He really was. Eventually, they would fight to have Him condemned and killed.

Today we have many articles about the Vicar of Christ being circulated. Take these two scenarios into consideration.

1. Let us say for the sake of argument that there are legitimate times faithful Catholics can criticize the Vicar of Christ. (Canon 212 §3). There are also over 1000 positive pro-life statements that are on the Vatican's web site, along with 1000's of other amazing positive things Pope Francis is doing all over the world. If we were to look at the last 100 LifeSite News articles regarding Pope Francis and 10% were negative, one could argue that they are just being truthful and reporting the news.

2. However, if we look at the last 100 articles regarding Pope Francis and over 90% are negative, one could argue that it is Satan's old tricks of Pharisee Fake News again and it must be rebuked in the name of Jesus for the good of the Church (Canon 212 §3).

For the sake of wanting to remain unbiased, we don't have to judge, but let us take an honest look at the data and see the TRUTH for ourselves.

Below is a list of the past 100 articles since Aug 8, 2019, feast of St. Dominic, where Life-Site News mentions the Vicar of Christ or his works. We can all determine if the articles are negative or not. Everyone, so far who has investigated the last 100 articles agrees that simple mathematics exposes this propaganda for what it is. Please look at the data and comment yourself.

We are convicted that the issue that we are bringing up is a real danger to the future of the Church and souls.

The great Dominican author and Evangelist of our time, Fr. Albert Shamon O.P. shared his wisdom through numerous examples in history, where a bloodless phase of **numerous hostile attacks from the media always took place before bloody persecutions** or revolutions took place.

I think we are all familiar with predicted persecutions of the Church in Revelation 13:7, and the Catechism #677, "The Church will enter the glory of the kingdom only through this final Passover, when she will follow her Lord in His death and resurrection.

We all love Our Lady and we are all familiar with the third secret of Fatima that was released to the public in the Jubilee Year 2000 and is found on the Vatican web site. The end of the Third secret reads;

"having reached the top of the mountain, on his knees at the foot of the big Cross he **(The Pope) was killed by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows at him, and in the same way there died one after another the other Bishops, Priests, men and women Religious, and various lay people** of different ranks and positions. Beneath the two arms of the Cross there were two Angels each with a crystal aspersorium in his hand, in which they gathered up the blood of the Martyrs and with it sprinkled the souls that were making their way to God.

We are accustomed to prayer and meditation. This allows us to look at the big picture and put the pieces of the puzzle together. Conversely, before the Pope gets killed in a bloody way, he will be attacked by the media in a bloodless way. Fr. Shamon explains extensively that the Free-Masons will be the instrument used to orchestrate the attack on the Holy Father along with other useful instruments.

I think we all know that someday this will happen, we all hope the time will be shortened and it will happen later and not sooner. That is why I urge everyone to review the data on the last 100 LifeSite articles about the Pope and share your insights, especially to LifeSite News.

The Gospels illustrate how dangerous and damaging these attacks can be. The Pharisees proclaimed that Jesus ate with tax collectors and prostitutes and kept **speculating** that Jesus was causing confusion and was going to accept their sinful behavior as the Law of the Land. They kept **repeating their accusations** until hearts were hardened and Jesus was nailed to the Cross.

Once you review the data of the numerous articles below, if the **mathematics prove to you that it is Pharisee Fake News**, then you are obliged to both pray for LifeSite News and **rebuke their persecuting actions in the name of Jesus** (Canon 212 §3).

However, no matter where our discussion leads us, let us all remember that in the end, Our Lady crushes the head of the serpent through the triumph of Her Immaculate Heart. Ultimately, Her Heart is our refuge and Jesus will reign in the world. We will all say **Jesus Christ is Lord to the Glory of God the Father!**

Respectfully,

Mr. Guy Murphy OP (Lay Dominican)

Ps. To Define our terms of positive and negative as you evaluate the articles;

Positive: Presents Pope Francis as a great leader, inspiring people, building up the Body of Christ.

Negative: Accused of being in error that needs correction, causing confusion, promoting heresy, leaning left wing.

Neutral: Not positive or negative.

1. Wed Aug 7, 2019 - 7:16 pm EST

[**Former president sheds light on modernist takeover of Vatican life and family institute**](#)

By [Phil Lawler](#)

2. Wed Aug 7, 2019 - 1:05 pm EST

[**Theologian: Vatican used 'Stalinist methods with velvet gloves' to oust JP II profs**](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

3. Thu Aug 1, 2019 - 2:48 pm EST

[**John Paul II Institute's identity 'seriously threatened': Vice-president**](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

4. Thu Aug 1, 2019 - 12:25 pm EST

[**'British coup': Author claims UK gov't may have helped in Pope Francis' 2013 election**](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

5. Wed Jul 31, 2019 - 8:59 pm EST

[**Amazon Synod: Trading Christianity for paganism is a bad deal**](#)

By [William Kilpatrick](#)

6. Wed Jul 31, 2019 - 8:31 pm EST

[**It's High Noon for the Church. Who will stand and defend her?**](#)

By [Elizabeth A. Mitchell](#)

7. Wed Jul 31, 2019 - 7:29 pm EST

[**'Inexplicable': Priest baffled at pope's offhand transfer of St. Peter's relics to Orthodox**](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

8. Tue Jul 30, 2019 - 9:41 pm EST

[**What would John Paul II think of Pope Francis's destruction of JP II Institute?**](#)

By [John Paul Meenan](#)

9. Tue Jul 30, 2019 - 1:07 pm EST

[**John Paul II Institute students threaten to leave in wake of firings, elimination of courses**](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

10. Mon Jul 29, 2019 - 6:59 pm EST

[**What might a truly Catholic Amazon Synod look like?**](#)

By *Robert Royal*

11. Fri Jul 26, 2019 - 7:48 pm EST

[**Vatican muddles Roman Curia, implies new powers for College of Bishops**](#)

By *Fr. Gerald E. Murray*

12. Fri Jul 26, 2019 - 6:05 pm EST

[**After 25 years investigating Church sex abuse, I can't do it anymore**](#)

By *Phil Lawler*

13. Thu Jul 25, 2019 - 7:54 pm EST

[**Historic roundtable: Voris, Marshall, de Mattei and more to discuss Amazon Synod threat to Church**](#)

By *LifeSiteNews.com*

14. Wed Jul 24, 2019 - 1:08 pm EST

[**All profs suspended, president dismissed as part of 'destruction' of John Paul II Institute**](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

15. Tue Jul 23, 2019 - 3:02 pm EST

[**VIDEO: Mass apostasy, doctrinal confusion sure signs of anti-Christ**](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

16. Mon Jul 22, 2019 - 7:09 pm EST

[**Two ways Catholic leaders can help stop people leaving Church**](#)

By [Joseph Shaw](#)

17. Mon Jul 22, 2019 - 7:41 am EST

[Vatican bishop is now poised to remodel JP II Institute for Marriage and Family on Amoris Laetitia](#)

By *Riccardo Cascioli*

18. Fri Jul 19, 2019 - 6:51 pm EST

[Vatican religious life chief: Pope wants priestly celibacy questioned at Amazon Synod](#)

By *Martin M. Barillas*

19. Fri Jul 19, 2019 - 5:37 pm EST

[Vatican confirms Pope Francis called Vincent Lambert's mom with words of support as son lay dying](#)

By *Jeanne Smits, Paris correspondent*

20. Fri Jul 19, 2019 - 8:13 am EST

[German relief agencies financing Amazon Synod, predict 'unmistakable' change in Church](#)

By *Diane Montagna*

21. Thu Jul 18, 2019 - 7:24 pm EST

[Cdl. Zen urges loyal Chinese Catholics to 'fight' for the faith amid worsening persecution](#)

By *Martin M. Barillas*

22. Thu Jul 18, 2019 - 3:58 pm EST

Pope Francis phoned Vincent Lambert's mom with 'touching' message as son lay dying

<https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/exclusive-pope-francis-phoned-vincent-lamberts-mom-with-touching-message-as-son-lay-dying>

23. Thu Jul 18, 2019 - 3:46 pm EST

[Bishop Schneider: Pope Francis has 'strict duty' to reaffirm priestly celibacy at Amazon Synod](#)

By *Maike Hickson*

24. Wed Jul 17, 2019 - 11:39 am EST

[Theologian: Amazon Synod attempting to 'demolish' the Church from within](#)

By *Diane Montagna*

25. Tue Jul 16, 2019 - 2:02 pm EST

[**VIDEO: 10 signs Pope Francis is moving toward women's ordination**](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

26. Mon Jul 15, 2019 - 7:30 pm EST

[**Communist Party uses Vatican deal to bludgeon the Catholic Church in China, activist says**](#)

By [Doug Mainwaring](#)

27. Mon Jul 15, 2019 - 9:21 pm EST

[**All sides oppose Pope Francis's upcoming reform of Vatican bureaucracy**](#)

By [Sandro Magister](#)

[**NEWSCATHOLIC CHURCH, FAITH**](#) Mon Jul 15, 2019 - 2:29 pm EST

[**Cardinal Müller: Amazon Synod is a 'pretext for changing the Church'**](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

28. Fri Jul 12, 2019 - 7:16 pm EST

[**Germany's chief cardinal shows he can sway Pope Francis**](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#) & [Maike Hickson](#)

29. Fri Jul 12, 2019 - 9:41 am EST

[**Former Catholic Herald editor blasts Amazon Synod, 'corrupt pope'**](#)

By [Lisa Bourne](#) & [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

30. Thu Jul 11, 2019 - 8:43 am EST

[**These two books can help frustrated Catholics through a confusing papacy**](#)

By [Peter Kwasniewski](#)

31. Fri Jul 5, 2019 - 1:42 pm EST

[**Cdl. Zen warns Pope Francis that Vatican directives for China church may lead to 'death of true faith'**](#)

By [Bree A. Dail](#)

32. Thu Jul 4, 2019 - 3:57 pm EST

[**No evidence Pope Benedict said 'the Pope is one; it is Francis'**](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

33. Thu Jul 4, 2019 - 12:37 pm EST

[**Pope Francis ignored 'terrifying dossier' on top Vatican official's sex abuse: Abp. Viganò**](#)

By [Matthew Cullinan Hoffman](#)

34. Thu Jul 4, 2019 - 11:06 am EST

[**St. Gallen Mafia's long war to change priesthood will have decisive moment at Amazon Synod**](#)

By [Julia Meloni](#)

35. Thu Jul 4, 2019 - 10:59 am EST

[**Why honoring Francis as the Pope means showing concern for his errors**](#)

By [Peter Kwasniewski](#)

36. Wed Jul 3, 2019 - 8:26 pm EST

[**New Viganò testimony: Vatican covered up allegations of sexual abuse of Pope's altar boys**](#)

By [Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò](#)

37. Wed Jul 3, 2019 - 3:13 pm EST

[**Episode 16: Professor Roberto de Mattei explains the crisis in the Church - Part 2 of 2**](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

38. (NEG) Wed Jul 3, 2019 - 2:36 pm EST

[**Austrian bishop: Pope said he won't abolish priestly celibacy because he anticipates Judgement Day**](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

39. (Neg) Wed Jul 3, 2019 - 11:57 am EST

[**Pope Francis gives away relics of St. Peter to Orthodox patriarch**](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

40. Tue Jul 2, 2019 - 9:06 pm EST

[Petition asks Pope Francis to abandon changes to English 'Our Father'](#)

By [LifeSiteNews staff](#)

41. Tue Jul 2, 2019 - 8:59 pm EST

[Abp. Viganò to receive award for exposing Church abuse cover-ups](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

42. Tue Jul 2, 2019 - 1:25 pm EST

[Catholics must have 'respectful resistance,' speak up about crisis in Church: famed historian](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

43. Mon Jul 1, 2019 - 7:31 pm EST

[Pope's letter to Germans on 'synodal path' is open to many interpretations](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

44. (Does not count they were forced to correct outright lie) Mon Jul 1, 2019 - 6:05 pm EST

[CORRECTED: Pope Francis to celebrate private Mass for migrants and those who help them](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

45. Mon Jul 1, 2019 - 3:03 pm EST

[Fr. Martin at gay 'pride' Mass: Pope has appointed 'many' pro-LGBT cardinals, bishops](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

46. NEG (It was almost a positive but they modified it to say "No evidence") Fri Jun 28, 2019 - 8:46 pm EST

[Benedict XVI asserts Francis is pope in new interview](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

47. Fri Jun 28, 2019 - 6:47 pm EST

[Vatican OKs Chinese clergy 'registering' with communist government](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

48. Fri Jun 28, 2019 - 11:09 am EST

[Pre-Amazon Synod private meeting calls for female diaconate, Vatican in attendance](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

49. Thu Jun 27, 2019 - 9:06 am EST

[Centuries ago, popes warned of modern Church crises as if they were alive today](#)

By [Peter Kwasniewski](#)

50. Thu Jun 27, 2019 - 8:46 am EST

[Faithful German priests: Pope Francis' teaching on marriage 'contradicts' God's laws](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

51. Wed Jun 26, 2019 - 7:00 pm EST

[Pope Francis: 'Status quo must be maintained' for Eastern Catholics and Orthodox](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

52. Wed Jun 26, 2019 - 5:41 pm EST

[PHOTO: Full list of participants in private pre-synod 'study-meeting' in Rome](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

53. Wed Jun 26, 2019 - 1:27 pm EST

[Pope Francis sends German bishops 30-page letter, comments on their 'synodal path'](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

54. Tue Jun 25, 2019 - 3:48 pm EST

[VIDEO: Professor Roberto de Mattei explains the crisis in the Church - Part 1 of 2](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

55. Tue Jun 25, 2019 - 1:17 pm EST

[Sunday's Peter's Pence collection supports illegal immigration, lay group urges boycott](#)

By [Lisa Bourne](#)

56. Tue Jun 25, 2019 - 7:51 am EST

[Peruvian expert in liberation theology reveals 'scheme' behind the Amazon Synod](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

57. Mon Jun 24, 2019 - 7:49 pm EST

[Judge OKs return of Argentine bishop accused of abusing seminarians to the Vatican](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

58. Fri Jun 21, 2019 - 3:50 pm EST

[EWTN's "Papal Posse" criticizes working doc for Amazon Synod](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

59. Fri Jun 21, 2019 - 1:41 pm EST

[US bishops follow Pope in calling death penalty 'inadmissible,' admit they don't know what it means](#)

By [Lisa Bourne](#)

60. Fri Jun 21, 2019 - 1:41 pm EST

[US bishops follow Pope in calling death penalty 'inadmissible,' admit they don't know what it means](#)

By [Lisa Bourne](#)

61. Thu Jun 20, 2019 - 9:15 pm EST

[Amazon Synod's overhaul of priestly celibacy will spread right to Germany](#)

By [Sandro Magister](#)

62. Thu Jun 20, 2019 - 8:32 pm EST

[Vatican proclaims 'Season of Creation' to limit global warming](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

63. Thu Jun 20, 2019 - 8:04 pm EST

[Amazon synod working doc perverts Catholic doctrine, practices: World-famous historian](#)

By [Roberto de Mattei](#)

64. Thu Jun 20, 2019 - 6:13 pm EST

[Catholic school in Ireland will allow boy students to wear skirts](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

65. Thu Jun 20, 2019 - 12:12 pm EST

[Bishop who wrote Amazon working doc wants overhauled priesthood, ordained women](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

66. Tue Jun 18, 2019 - 11:32 am EST

[Professor who accused Pope of heresy: Bishops' declaration is a 'new syllabus of errors'](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

67. Mon Jun 17, 2019 - 7:42 pm EST

[Bp. Strickland demands that laypeople be allowed to investigate abuser bishops](#)

By [Lisa Bourne](#)

68. Fri Jun 14, 2019 - 8:40 pm EST

[Pope Francis commands Vatican diplomats: Do not criticize the pope](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

69. Fri Jun 14, 2019 - 8:16 pm EST

[Critics, former members blast Knights of Malta's suppression of Latin Mass](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

70. Thu Jun 13, 2019 - 6:06 pm EST

[Cdl. Sarah criticizes synodality: 'Jesus never created bishops' conferences or local Churches'](#)

By *Jeanne Smits, Paris correspondent*

71. Thu Jun 13, 2019 - 3:04 pm EST

[Acclaimed Cambridge professor critiques Pope Francis' approval of new 'Our Father'](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

72. Thu Jun 13, 2019 - 10:03 am EST

[Vatican's Amazon Synod appears bent on agenda that borders on nature-worship...where's the Gospel?](#)

By [Steven Mosher](#)

73. Wed Jun 12, 2019 - 8:02 pm EST

[Archbishop exhorts thousands of pilgrims to fight for good in a time of great 'confusion'](#)

By *Jeanne Smits, Paris correspondent*

74. Wed Jun 12, 2019 - 4:29 pm EST

[Pope Francis' 'flirt' with heresy could provoke 'schism': Prominent German Catholic novelist](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

75. Tue Jun 11, 2019 - 7:06 pm EST

[Order of Malta bans traditional Latin Mass for its liturgical ceremonies](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

76. Mon Jun 10, 2019 - 5:19 pm EST

[Argentine bishop and friend of Pope Francis charged with sex abuse of seminarians](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

77. Mon Jun 10, 2019 - 10:49 am EST

[VIDEO: Highlights from new 'Declaration of Truths' correcting common errors of our time](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

78. Mon Jun 10, 2019 - 3:15 am EST

[Cdl Burke, Bp Schneider issue 'declaration of truths' to correct rampant 'doctrinal confusion' in Church](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

79. Fri Jun 7, 2019 - 9:00 pm EST

[Cardinal Pell awaits verdict after prosecutor stumbles in appeal hearing](#)

By *Jeanne Smits, Paris correspondent*

80. Fri Jun 7, 2019 - 6:28 pm EST

[Vatican all but wipes out conservative order of nuns for 'too much prayer'](#)

By [Matthew Cullinan Hoffman](#)

81. Thu Jun 6, 2019 - 9:34 pm EST

[Pope Francis appoints pro-LGBT Cdl Tobin to oversee Catholic education](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

82. Thu Jun 6, 2019 - 4:14 pm EST

[Cardinal Kasper: Pope Francis will 'probably accept' married priests if Amazon synod proposes it](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

83. Wed Jun 5, 2019 - 5:07 pm EST

[Costa Rica wants to force Catholic priests into violating seal of confession](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

84. Wed Jun 5, 2019 - 3:18 pm EST

[Pope's new teaching on death penalty appears in revised theological commentary on catechism](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

85. Wed Jun 5, 2019 - 3:00 pm EST

[Does Pope Francis see Latin, Gregorian chant, Church's ancient customs as 'return to the ashes'?](#)

By [Joseph Shaw](#)

86. Tue Jun 4, 2019 - 4:34 pm EST

[VIDEO: Vatican's former doctrine chief: Contraception is 'intrinsically bad,' Church can never allow it](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

87. Tue Jun 4, 2019 - 12:00 am EST

[Episode 12: Vatican's former doctrine chief: Contraception is 'intrinsically bad,' Church can never allow it](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

88. Mon Jun 3, 2019 - 6:47 pm EST

[JP II's biographer: Viganò told me 6 years ago he had advised Pope Francis on McCarrick](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

89. Mon Jun 3, 2019 - 2:40 pm EST

[Pope Francis praises Catholic archbishop for stepping in to 'lead worship' for Lutherans](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

90. Mon Jun 3, 2019 - 1:30 pm EST

['Totalitarian': Cdl. Burke criticizes Vatican-backed universities' ban on prof who accused pope of heresy](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

91. Mon Jun 3, 2019 - 9:55 am EST

[Pontifical institute's banishment of John Rist for criticizing pope is unjust](#)

By [Phil Lawler](#)

92. Fri May 31, 2019 - 9:24 pm EST

[Vigano vindicated? Catholic voices debate Msgr. Figueiredo revelations](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

93. Fri May 31, 2019 - 8:52 pm EST

[Scholars criticize Vatican-backed universities for banning prof who accused pope of heresy](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

94. Fri May 31, 2019 - 12:17 pm EST

[Critics do a disservice to Open Letter on Pope Francis' heresies by ignoring its core arguments](#)

By [Matthew Cullinan Hoffman](#)

95. Thu May 30, 2019 - 9:27 pm EST

[Italy's Matteo Salvini returning to European Union's 'Christian roots': Cdl Mueller](#)

By [Matthew Cullinan Hoffman](#)

96. Thu May 30, 2019 - 6:24 pm EST

[Cardinal Pell's court appeal will be live-streamed from Australia](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

97. Thu May 30, 2019 - 2:20 pm EST

[Catholic leaders who say hell is empty are basically calling Jesus 'liar'](#)

By [Lisa Bourne](#)

98. Thu May 30, 2019 - 7:52 am EST

[Contradictions in Pope Francis's remarks on sex abuse are frustrating reporters](#)

By [Phil Lawler](#)

99. Wed May 29, 2019 - 3:36 pm EST

[Pope Francis: Chinese bishops know they 'must be good patriots' to Communist regime](#)

By [Claire Chretien](#)

100. Wed May 29, 2019 - 2:19 pm EST

[Pope Francis: If we saw 'irregular' couples, gays as God's children, things would 'change a lot'](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

101. Wed May 29, 2019 - 12:01 pm EST

[Pontifical university bans top scholar who accused Pope Francis of heresy in open letter](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

102. Tue May 28, 2019 - 6:26 pm EST

[EXCLUSIVE: Abp Viganò says Pope is lying in latest denial about McCarrick](#)

By [Diane Montagna](#)

103. Tue May 28, 2019 - 4:58 pm EST

[VIDEO: Pope's lack of clarity is a sign of the end times: chatting with Cardinal Eijk](#)

By [John-Henry Westen](#)

104. Tue May 28, 2019 - 4:23 pm EST

[Pope Francis releases document about 'meanness' to migrants to coincide with EU elections](#)

By [Dorothy Cummings McLean](#)

105. Tue May 28, 2019 - 1:59 pm EST

[New book exposes diabolical scheme used by Catholic Church's enemies to gain access to papacy](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

106. Tue May 28, 2019 - 12:45 pm EST

[Pope Francis compares Trump's border security to Berlin Wall](#)

By [Martin M. Barillas](#)

107. Tue May 28, 2019 - 10:51 am EST

[Former aide details how McCarrick ignored Benedict's sanctions, met with Francis](#)

By [Maike Hickson](#)

SIDE NOTES:

“As I was helping to collect data on the Pope from Lifesite all I could think is, this is my faith, it’s supposed to be our faith, and you are bashing and selling false truths about our leader, you are bashing St. Peter and in return Jesus because The Pope, like all priests, acts ‘In Persona Christi’ as the Vicar of Christ” –Volunteer

“I studied journalism for two years at a renown media school. Journalists need to be objective. Once a person becomes a journalist, he/she no longer has the ability to be biased or opinionated or sway the reader in a certain direction. They must be honest, fair, and accurate, and these “journalists” have failed at that. Their headlines are horrible and unjust.” – Volunteer

These imperatives from the Catechism ought to guide our speech when it comes to the clergy or anyone whom we are tempted to disparage online or through gossip:

Respect for the reputation of persons forbids every attitude and word likely to cause them unjust injury. He becomes guilty:

- of rash judgment who, even tacitly, assumes as true, without sufficient foundation, the moral fault of a neighbor;**
- of detraction who, without objectively valid reason, discloses another’s faults and failings to persons who did not know them;**
- of calumny who, by remarks contrary to the truth, harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgments concerning them.**

To avoid rash judgment, everyone should be careful to interpret insofar as possible his neighbor’s thoughts, words, and deeds in a favorable way:

Every good Christian ought to be more ready to give a favorable interpretation to another’s statement than to condemn it. But if he cannot do so, let him ask how the other understands it. And if the latter understands it badly, let the former correct him with love. If that does not suffice, let the Christian try all suitable ways to bring the other to a correct interpretation so that he may be saved.

Detraction and calumny destroy the reputation and honor of one’s neighbor. Honor is the social witness given to human dignity, and everyone enjoys a natural right to the honor of his name and reputation and to respect. Thus, detraction and calumny offend against the virtues of justice and charity. —*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, n 2477-2478