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Affirming Authentic Catholicism in Milwaukee

St. Gregory VII Chapter  
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## JERRY SCHMUTTE TO DISCUSS OLD TESTAMENT COVENANTS ON NOV. 21

Jerry Schmutte's presentation targets the many Catholics who have seen family members and/or friends leave the True Faith to become "Bible Christians." Based on Bible compilation history, and the writings of Scott Hahn regarding covenantal theology, Jerry shows that the Catholic Church is the rightful beneficiary of the Old Testament covenants, and the Church presents the only intellectually satisfying approach to understanding Divine Revelation. Jerry's presentation will not only build your arsenal of information for evangelizing ex-Catholics, but he will also greatly affirm your own faith.

Jerry Schmutte is the secretary of our St. Gregory VII Board of Directors. He spent thirty years working as a corporate business executive, the last twenty in Milwaukee. He is a dedicated student of history, and has also been a teacher of history in a number of area private schools. **Please join us, and bring a friend,** to hear Jerry Schmutte's very interesting discussion of this timely topic:

**"FROM ADAM TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH -  
A QUESTION OF AUTHORITY"**

**WHERE:** Blessed Sacrament Church Hall

South 41<sup>st</sup> Street and Oklahoma Avenue

Enter parking lot from S. 40<sup>th</sup> Street

**WHEN:** Sunday, November 21

**TIME:** 2:00 p.m. ~ Program 1:45 p.m. - Rosary

## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE YEAR 2011

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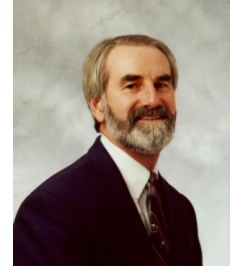
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## CONGRATULATIONS TO CARDINAL-DESIGNATE RAYMOND L. BURKE

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the membership of the St. Gregory VII Chapter, we extend our sincere congratulations to Cardinal-designate Raymond Burke, who was named by Pope Benedict XVI as one of 24 new Cardinals. The announcement was made at the end of the Pope's weekly general audience on October 20, and the formal installation will be held during a special consistory at the Vatican on November 20. Cardinal-designate Burke, 62, is prefect of the Vatican's highest tribunal, the Supreme Court of the Apostolic Signatura. According to the October 29 issue of the *Southern Nebraska Register*, although "the court's work is generally shrouded in secrecy, when it comes to moral and political issues – especially abortion and same-sex-marriage – Cardinal-designate Burke has been one of the most outspoken U.S. Bishops. Before the November 2008 election, he said the Democratic Party 'risks transforming itself definitively into a party of death.' In 2004, he was the first U.S. bishop to say publicly that he would withhold communion from Catholic politicians with voting records that contradicted Church teaching on fundamental issues." According to an October 20, *Catholic News Service* story, Cardinal-designate Burke has reaffirmed a top priority, "to teach the dignity of human life from conception to natural death. If we don't teach that, there isn't much else that we can teach that will make much sense," he said. "We as Catholics are called constantly to give witness to the inviolability of the life of the unborn." We again thank Cardinal-designate Burke for so graciously accepting our 2006 Msgr. Popek Award, and we offer our fervent prayers that God will continue to bless him, and his critical work for Christ's Church.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE DECEMBER 12 CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The Chapter's annual Christmas/Birthday dinner will be held on Sunday, December 12. Mark your calendar now for this Christmas celebration ~ along with the traditional tribute to the anniversary of Msgr. Popek's December 9 birthday.

## CHECK WITH WISN FOR CANCELLATION IN CASE OF BAD WEATHER

To find out whether or not a CUF meeting has been cancelled due to snow or bad weather, go to Channel 12 TV and/or [www.wisn.com](http://www.wisn.com). A decision to cancel a meeting would be made, most likely, on the morning of the meeting.

## PLEASE SUPPORT THE RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS STAMP – BUY FOR THE WHOLE YEAR

In an effort to encourage the U.S. Post Office to continue to include a religious stamp in its Christmas selection, we ask you to consider buying a large quantity of stamps during the Christmas season that will cover your needs for the entire year. Buying a large quantity will not only indicate a "demand" at the Post Office, but ongoing use of the stamp might also produce a small, but important, Catholic presence in a secular culture.



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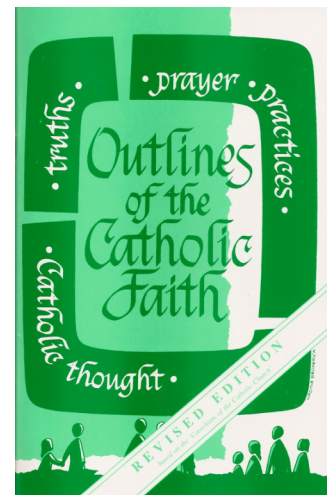
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## Book of the Month: "Outlines of the Catholic Faith" Author: Imprimatur: Archbishop Harry J. Flynn, D.D. Publisher: Leaflet Missal Company, 2000

"*Outlines of the Catholic Faith* contains the basic terms, truths, and identifiers of the Catholic Faith succinctly presented in simple outline form, along with a comprehensive addendum of basic Catholic customs and prayer forms."

This is a valuable tool for family teaching, including adult and primary school use, and it would make an excellent gift for any important event, e.g., eighth grade, high school or college graduation, confirmation, birthday, etc. It is an indexed, 85 page booklet that has been "revised" to conform with the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. It is frequently used for those seeking instruction in the faith through RCIA programs, and it would work well in a high school confirmation program.

Contributors of \$12 or more per year to the Chapter are entitled to discounts on all books displayed at CUF meetings.



# "Meet Michael Voris... A New Voice For Authentic Catholicism"

***The Wanderer***, ([www.thewandererpress.com](http://www.thewandererpress.com)), October 21, 2010, page 1  
By Thomas F. Roeser (edited – for the complete article contact [CUFMIL@wi.rr.com](mailto:CUFMIL@wi.rr.com))

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Chicago ~ Have you ever heard the name Michael Voris? You should because as our Church slowly recovers from the liberal misnamed "Spirit of Vatican II" (which has nothing to do with the authentic teachings of that conclave), increasingly people like me are turning to this middle-aged, splendidly educated layman with a degree in sacred theology who propels an almost daily filmed commentary on the Internet. You can subscribe to it for free or get a lowcost premium membership on [RealCatholicTV.com](http://RealCatholicTV.com).

Who is this guy who's not just courageously forthright, in fact downright gutsy, in defending the Church from liberal critics and who has the inner resolve to go after flaccidly weak prelates and priests who sway with each political breeze? I interviewed Voris, 49, when he was between planes at O'Hare and came away convinced that this ex-TV anchorman-producer-investigative reporter who earned his spikes at CBS and Fox News is just the ticket for those of us who – especially in Chicago – have endured decades of ecclesial winking as liberal politicians espousing abortion and "gay" marriage trot up to receive communion without question or criticism. He is a former seminarian, still single, who packed it in to become a journalist in New York where he worked alongside Dan Rather (with whom Voris was unimpressed) and then as a muckraking TV reporter in several cities. He earned bigger bucks doing this than the average workaday journalist, for a number of those years living, he freely acknowledged to me, "a horrible life in a moral cesspool." Throughout those years his mother, like Augustine's Monica, scolded him and prayed for him. He finally came to his reawakening after a favorite brother, supposedly in blooming good health,

shockingly tumbled dead in his early 40s. So in his own midlife crisis, Michael Voris packed it in again and resolved to use his finely honed communications skills in eloquent support of God and His Church. He took \$700,000 in savings and began a new career as an unabashedly militant but thoroughly responsible and responsive Catholic commentator, writing, producing, and performing in short, punchy TV commentaries lasting from two to

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five minutes each. The commentaries are theologically erudite and as un-boring and listenable as your network "stand-up" reporter. He calls his stand-ups which run from two to five minutes or so "the vortex where lies and falsehoods are trapped and exposed," smoothly concluding each one with his signature sign-off: "I'm Michael Voris." What are his topics? They follow events either well-publicized or not, which pertain to Catholics and the Church. One segment dealt with the responses of two very different priests and bishops on aspects of sexual morality. I hadn't heard of the events until I tuned in to Voris. Let me quote him.

August 24: "Well now here's one that's kinda strange – very indicative of the state of the Church today. Two bishops...two priests...two very different cases. Case 1...In Nashville, a local priest garnered headlines when a video [was] posted on the Internet of him saying the Pope should apologize for Church teaching on contraception. The priest's name is Joseph Patrick Breen. He has a reputation for being an outspoken

liberal and his comments didn't really come as a shock to anyone. But they did prompt a quick response from Bishop David Choby, who told Fr. Breen – retract what you have said publicly or face punishment. Good for the bishop! Fr. Breen retracted.

"Now let's move a little further south...the Diocese of El Paso where another priest went public about Church teaching also. This case is the exact opposite of the Nashville case. Fr. Michael Rodriguez wrote a column for the local secular paper where he forthrightly defended and promoted church teaching as regards homosexuality. The case also prompted a rebuke from the local bishop...Armando Ochoa...who upbraided the priest indirectly saying Fr Rodriguez's 'opinion' didn't reflect the necessary elements of being compassionate, tolerant, pastoral, inclusive, dignity, respect. In short every buzzword used by the liberal crowd to gloss over the very real charitable need to say, 'Continuing in mortal sin leads to misery in this life and damnation in the next,' which is what Fr. Rodriguez was saying. And please, skip the predictable line about, 'Well, we can't say if they are in a state of mortal sin.' No, we can't – but we can and should say, 'Stop doing what you're doing because it's evil and there's a very good chance you may very well be in the state of mortal sin. Why gamble like that with your eternal destiny?' What we see here in these two cases which happened in the past week is the very real dichotomy that exists in the Church today...When liberals speak about Church teaching you scratch your head. When non-liberals speak, it's perfectly clear. Such is the state of affairs in the Church today." That's the Michael Voris story...look him up on the Internet...you won't be disappointed.

For more by this writer, log onto [tomroeser.com](http://tomroeser.com), or go to his Internet newspaper *The Chicago Observer* at [www.cdobs.com](http://www.cdobs.com).

## ***THE 2010-2011 SCHEDULE of EVENTS:***

- November 21    **FROM ADAM TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH – A QUESTION OF AUTHORITY**, by Jerry Schmutte
- December 12    **MSGR. POPEK BIRTHDAY/CHRISTMAS DINNER**
- January 16      **THE DARK SIDE OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY: INTERNET, CELL PHONES AND SOCIAL MEDIA**, by Eric Szatkowski
- February 20    **ADDRESSING HISTORICAL ISSUES – THE CRUSADES**, by David Archibald
- March 13        **AFTERNOON OF RECOLLECTION**, by Fr. James Kubicki, S.J.
- April 17         **PRAYING WITH THE FATHERS**, by Fr. Clifford Ermatinger
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- October 9 (2011)    **MSGR. POPEK AWARD DINNER**, Fr. Joseph L. Cunningham, Recipient



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