



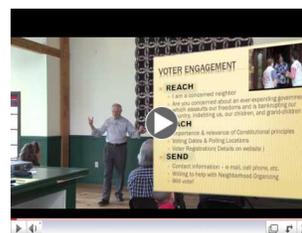
## Battle over the Catholic Vote

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Greetings!

A battle over the Catholic vote has developed because, unlike in 2008 when Obama was favored by 54% of Catholics, in 2012 Obama is tied with Romney at 46%. Catholics are a key voting demographic for both parties, considering that there are over 77.7 million Catholics in our country comprising about 25% of the population. [In the last four of five elections, the presidential candidate who won the Catholic vote won the election.](#) Consequently, those of us who believe in the Constitution's First Amendment, including religious freedom, and also in limited government must be engaged in this battle!



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### What Is The Left Doing?

Despite [denying Catholics their religious liberty through the Health-Care Mandate](#), progressives are actively engaging Catholics to secure their vote for Obama with a two-pronged strategy. [Catholics for Obama are calling Catholics to ask the following question: "How can you support a 'Mormon' who does not believe in Jesus Christ?"](#) In addition, an assertion is made that "President Obama did not support abortion". This factually incorrect questioning approach is called a "Push-Poll" and intends to sway the voter with incorrect inferences.

Archdioceses throughout the country, in preparation for this November's election, are sponsoring *Faithful Citizenship* events, based on the 2007-created [Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship](#). The document has been exposed as an attempt to provide theological cover for Social Justice Progressives. Additionally, many of the event presenters are, in fact, progressives. Instead of stating that Catholics must be resolute in opposing the five non-negotiable and intrinsic evils of abortion, homosexual "marriage", embryonic stem cell research, human cloning,

*"Silence in the face of evil is itself evil: God will not hold us guiltless. Not to speak is to speak. Not to*

and euthanasia, the [Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship](#) document introduces other considerations for voting, such as racism and social justice. In the Cleveland, Ohio Archdiocese, [the instructors for these Faithful Citizenship events were exposed as avid Obama supporters and ones who belong to pro-abortion organizations.](#) [Church Militant.TV](#) has an excellent [video](#) on this matter.

### What Can We Do?

- 1) Immediately identify all *Faithful Citizenship* events within your archdiocese, scheduled throughout October, and ensure that those Catholics attend who have a correct understanding of the five non-negotiable and intrinsic evils and how these should have a special claim on our conscience as we choose between candidates. These attendees must ensure that progressive event leaders do not dilute the importance of these considerations for determining how Catholics should vote. Additionally, we need to assure that the attack on religious liberty is addressed in accordance with the U.S. Bishops' recently released document, i.e. ["Our First, Most Cherished Liberty"](#).
- 2) Distribute Catholic leadership-approved presidential candidate voter guides after all Masses in all parishes. To date, the best [voter guide](#) we have seen is from the [Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops](#). This voter guide is non-partisan, comprehensive, and factual. Either have your parish fund the printing, or have the laity handle the printing with donations.
- 3) Post [Protect Religious Freedom](#) signs in all archdiocese neighborhoods. This *Faith 4 Freedom* initiative was started by Lisa R. in northwest Ohio and has gone viral. She was initially hoping to distribute just one-hundred of these signs. Instead, to date, she has distributed over 15,000 in just her Toledo Archdiocese. These are the most asked-for signs at GOP election headquarters. Even the Bishop ordered two signs and has committed to writing an endorsement on behalf of this effort. Sign ordering information can be obtained on Lisa's website, i.e. <http://www.meetup.com/Faith4Freedom/>.

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*"Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves"* - Matthew 7:15

*"Tolerance and apathy are the last virtues of a dying society"* - Aristotle

*"Nobody Makes a Bigger Mistake Than He Who Did Nothing Because He Could Only Do a Little."* - Edmund Burke

*"Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains to bring it to light."*-George Washington

*"Above all, we must realize that no arsenal, or no weapon in the arsenals of the world, is so formidable as the will and moral courage of free men and women. It is a weapon our adversaries in today's world do not have."* - Ronald Reagan

*"A nation of well-informed men who have been taught to know and prize the rights which God has given them cannot be enslaved. It is in the region of ignorance that tyranny begins."* - Ben Franklin

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