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President's Report

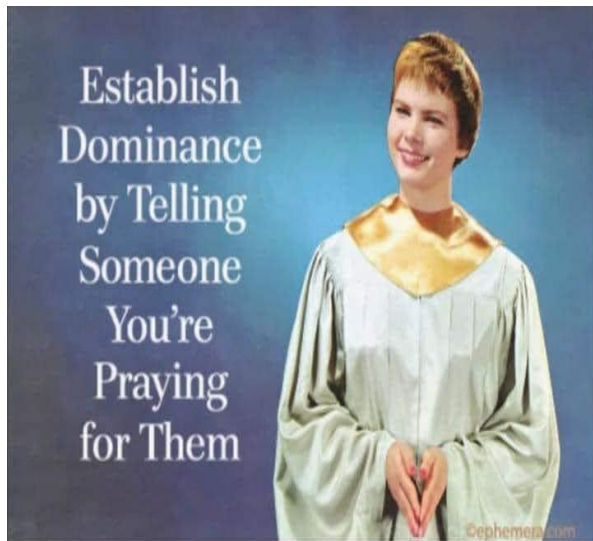
Josh CruverKibi

Fall is here, with cooler weather and more activities for PAN. We had a surprisingly good time and turnout for our fall equinox potluck. The weather was very rainy, cool, windy, and the local charity sale ran out of chicken dinners, but our potluck food and conversation kept us semi warm. We had baked goods, meats, vegetables, fruits, snack foods, and a member even brought a grill that he worked in the rain. I was told that my peach cobbler, that I made with peaches from my backyard peach tree, was "sinfully" delicious. I used a classic recipe that included a lot of butter, so that may have been the 'sinful' special ingredient. This fall equinox potluck was to help start up the Lebanon meeting again. There will be regular meetings starting in October every third Thursday at Infinito's Pizza Buffet on 1725 Quinton Road in Lebanon at 6 PM. It will be on the 17th for October.

PA Nonbelievers will have our last tabling event for the year at East Pennsboro Pumpkin Fest, Adams-Ricci Park Enola. It will be a two-day event, Saturday, October 12th (9:30 AM – 5:00 PM) and Sunday, October 13th (11:00 AM – 5:00 PM). We need volunteers to help at the booth and to give each other breaks throughout the day. We will be setting up early on Saturday around 7 am and will likely only tear down materials on Saturday night and leave the tents. Anytime that you are interested in volunteering please let Josh CruverKibi know at cruverkibi@gmail.com so that we can coordinate. We will have 2 tents, so we will have a lot of space for socializing and hanging out. We will also have our usual stickers and pins to sell and a table for handouts and information.

It is also that time of year for PAN Membership renewal. PA Nonbelievers memberships run on the calendar year, so all current memberships expire on January 1, 2025. We typically count people that have signed up for membership in the last 4 months of the year for the next year of membership. If you would like to continue or become a member of PA Nonbelievers for 2025, we can take your membership applications online. You can start or renew your membership on our website: <http://www.panonbelievers.org/>. You can also use the printable form and send your membership in through the postal service if you prefer.

Atheist News in Pennsylvania– The Nation – The World!



PA Family Institute

What's the Pennsylvania Family Institute? They're happy to explain, on their website, pafamily.org:

The Mission of the Pennsylvania Family Institute is to strengthen families by restoring to public life the traditional, foundational principles and values essential for the well-being of society. We are the only full-time, professionally staffed non-profit organization representing family values—your values—in the state capitol. We encourage responsible citizenship and involvement in civic affairs to promote respect for life, family, marriage and religious liberty. Our goal is for Pennsylvania to be a place where God is honored, religious freedom flourishes, families thrive, and life is cherished.

The website goes on to explain that they are “our” voice in the Capitol, lobbying the legislature to do what the PFI considers the right thing for PA families. They work with the media, they claim, to provide a “winsome pro-family perspective.”

PA Family's new activity is the Church Ambassador Network. The goal is to have pastors engage with legislatures: “Our mission is to build relationships between the shepherd of the church and those serving in civil government as instituted by God.”

They hold prayer meetings both in-person, and over Zoom. The Network now has “thousands” of pastors in Pennsylvania. They also claim to assist churches, using Covid-19 as an example; they hosted conference calls with the PA Secretary of Health, and set up webinars with the Independence Law Center to go over how regulations and emergency orders applied to churches.

With the election coming up, the Network provides helpful guidance for pastors. There's a “Choose Well” bulletin insert that can be printed off and inserted in church bulletins. The insert, which begins, “As a Christian, 5 reasons why I should care about government and about voting,” and then lists the 5 reasons:

1. Government was instituted by God.
2. Government officials are Ministers of God.
3. Government cannot properly do its job without the Church. Editor's note: Would that be any church? Don't be silly. The insert explains: “Left on their own, governments often get it wrong. Government needs informed Christian citizens to provide a standard for what the Lord has called good and what He calls evil.”
4. Law matters. The goal of law, it explains, is to “protect people by making it more difficult to sin.”
5. You get to choose. Because, it says, “Our right to vote is a gift God has given us to use to honor Him. (Matt 25: 14-30).”

Sugar Anarchy, Here in Central PA

Dillsburg, PA is the home of Jessy Aumiou'xx, known the Satanic baker and her Sugar Anarchy Bakery. She uses cookies to protest various outrages. According to the York Dispatch, yorkdispatch.org, she believes, "People definitely don't realize how influential a couple of well-placed cookies can be."

As part of her Operation: Truth Bomb, she dropped cookies off at school board meetings, sometimes protesting the involvement of Independence Law Center (known for its opposition to LGBTQA inclusion) with school boards. She is also happy to provide cookies to protest book bans and censorship. Donors can request a cookie drop at a specific school board meeting. Top donors contributing \$50 are a "personal vendetta sponsor." Here's a sample of the cookies, from her website, sugaranarchy.com.



Her family history contributes to her mission. Her great-grandfather was taken from the family and placed in the Carlisle Indian Industrial School and forced to profess Christianity. "My family has suffered and seen the wrath of religious pretense on children in a school setting...Religion in schools ruined my culture and killed my ancestors."

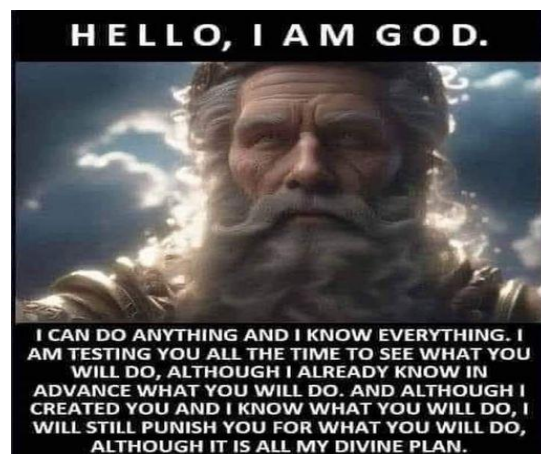
Jessie does not limit her creativity to school boards. Several state senators have received cookies telling them to stay out of women's uteruses.

The Johnson Amendment Under Fire

In 1954, Congress passed the Johnson Amendment, which prohibits nonprofits that fall under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code from backing specific political candidates. Most religious organizations fall under the Johnson Amendment, along with many other nonprofits – PAN, for example.

Religious groups have become increasingly annoyed by this restriction. Now it is being challenged in court by several organizations, including National Religious Broadcasters, two Baptist churches and a conservative group called Intercessors for America in a lawsuit filed in the United States District Court of the Eastern District of Texas, Tyler Division. According to *Christianity Today*, christianitytoday.com, the lawsuit makes a novel argument. Several newspapers – for example, the Philadelphia *Inquirer* – have become nonprofits in the last few years. Why do those newspapers get to endorse candidates, when nonprofit religious organizations can't?

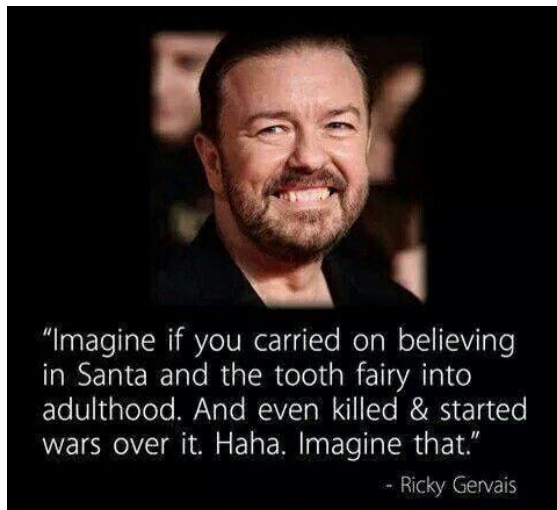
The religious groups don't object to nonprofit newspapers taking political stands. Their lawsuit states, "Plaintiffs believe that nonprofit newspapers have a clear constitutional right to make such endorsements or statements. Plaintiffs simply contend that they should also have the same freedom of speech." Some nonprofit newspapers, including the Salt Lake *Tribune* and the Chicago *Sun-Times*, have stopped making political endorsements.



The *Inquirer* offers the following defense. “The Philadelphia *Inquirer* is owned by the nonprofit Lenfest Institute for Journalism, but the newspaper remains a for-profit public-benefit corporation,” Jim Friedlich, CEO of the Lenfest Institute for Journalism, told RNS in an email.

“As a for-profit entity, The Philadelphia *Inquirer* is permitted to publish political endorsements, as it has for decades. It does so following thoughtful research on candidate policy positions, qualifications, integrity, and track record.”

The plaintiffs state that, regardless of the *Inquirer*’s structure, the result is that a nonprofit is being allowed to make political endorsements. According to Darryll K. Jones, law professor at Florida A&M University who blogs about nonprofit law, the IRS may well be staying out of the discussion because it believes the Johnson Amendment could be found to be unconstitutional. He also notes that many churches like the restriction, because it keeps them from having to take political positions.



Pakistan’s Religious Conflicts

Polio has been almost completely eradicated, except in two countries: Pakistan and Afghanistan. Why is that? According to Aljazeera.com, there are a couple of reasons. The people in those countries are distrustful of vaccinations because they know the CIA faked a hepatitis vaccination drive to help track down Osama bin Laden. In addition, there have been claims that the polio vaccine contains traces of alcohol and pork, both forbidden by Islam. Pakistan has administered more than 300 million doses of the oral vaccine each year, at a cost of billions of dollars.

A Pakistani official said, “We faced an embarrassing situation as all the gains made by Pakistan in 2021 have been lost and the virus has re-emerged in three blocks.” Things do seem to be looking up a bit. The number of new cases has dropped from 147 in 2019 to six so far this year. The Center for Disease Control, cdc.gov, is still concerned. There have been eight cases as of June 30, and more than 300 polio-positive sewage samples in 2023-2024.

There’s more disturbing news from Pakistan. The New York *Times*, nytimes.com, reports that mobs attack, and often kill, people accused of blasphemy against Islam. Now there’s a new twist: the accused are being murdered by police.

Recently a government doctor was shot, “unintentionally,” according to police, as he resisted being arrested for blasphemy. The Times story noted the police station entrance was covered in rose petals, and crowds chanted Islamic sayings, holding flowers to thank the officers for the murder.

His death was the second in a week. Another man in custody for suspicion of blasphemy in a different city was shot by police inside the police station.

Blasphemy is a crime in Pakistan, which can result in the death penalty. Rights activists have complained about the government’s lack of control over extreme Islamist groups, and the violence that can occur after accusations of blasphemy. The two deaths in police custody raise concerns that the police are reacting to pressure from religious mobs.

The government doctor who was killed was accused of “desecrating” Prophet Muhammad on Facebook. After a cleric filed a legal complaint, the doctor was fired and went into hiding. He insisted he had not written the post, and that the Facebook account had been dormant. A cleric offered an \$18,000 reward for the doctor’s death, noting that beheading was the appropriate penalty for blasphemy. His family says the doctor turned himself in, hoping for police protection. The police say he was shot as they were arresting him.

Not everyone in Pakistan was happy about this. Many people were appalled, both by the shooting and the mob's joyous reaction. The police officers involved were suspended, and an investigation revealed the police had made up the description of the shooting. Islamist groups were outraged by the government's reaction, and said the police were heroes for "defending Islam."

A week before this incident, another man was shot while in custody. A shopkeeper, he had been accused of using “objectionable words” against Muhammad. A mob demanded he be handed over so they could kill him, so the police transferred him to what was supposed to be a more secure facility.

The Center for Social Justice, in Lahore, reports that at least 330 people, primarily Muslim, were charged in 180 blasphemy cases last year. Pakistan has never executed anyone for blasphemy. It hasn't had to.



The LDS Church and Transgender Members

The New York *Times*, [nytimes.com](https://www.nytimes.com/2022/04/26/us/politics/latter-day-saints-transgender-members.html), reports that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has issued new rules for its transgender members, including prohibiting them from working with children.

This was part of an update to the church's General Handbook. Among other rules it now bars trans people from being baptized, even if they have just changed their appearance, name or pronouns. The handbook states, "Church leaders counsel against pursuing surgical, medical, or social transition away from one's biological sex at birth." As would be expected transgender LDS members and their supporters objected to the changes.

Leaders of Affirmation, a support group for current and former LGBTQA church members claim that before the revised handbook, transgender members “could expect their gender identities to be respected through the use of their chosen names, to participate in church meetings aligning with their gender identities, and to have some opportunities to be called to serve within the Church.”

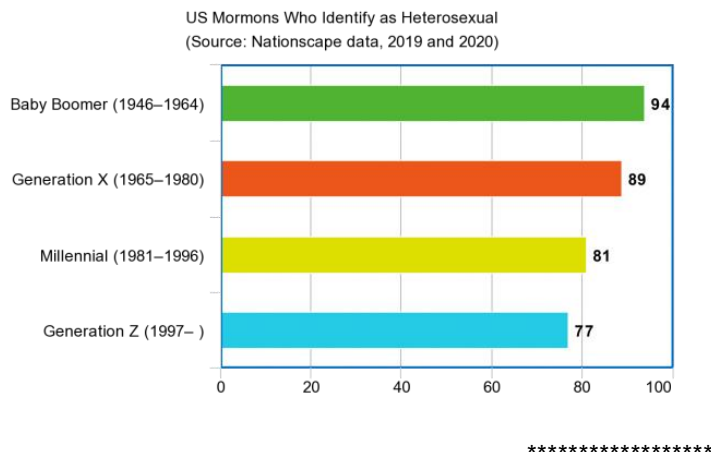
These changes expand on rules introduced in 2020 that restricted volunteer options, and access to the temple. At that time, church leaders said they were responded to requests for guidance from bishops and stake presidents.

Over the past few years, the LDS church has tried to clarify its approach to gay and transgender members and same-sex couples. In 2015, same-sex couples were labeled “apostates,” and their children were not allowed to have blessings or baptisms. In 2019, they backed down, deleting the word “apostate” and permitting the children to participate in rituals.

The church opposed same-sex marriage before it was legalized nationally but has recently offered some limited acceptance of LGBTQA people, although it maintains marriage is between a man and a woman. The handbook defines “gender” as “biological sex at birth” and calls it “an essential characteristic in Heavenly Father’s plan of happiness.”

The church admits that some people cannot reconcile their sex at birth and their “inner feelings.” It says the church takes no position on what causes that dichotomy.

The handbook also commends members who have taken steps to transition but then “transition back to their biological sex at birth,” stating that they may enjoy the full privileges of membership in the church.



How many LGBTQA Mormons are there? The chart at left – which shows a decreasing percentage of Mormons identifying as heterosexual at younger ages – is from Nationscape. After this was published in the Salt Lake *Tribune*, sltrib.com, the *Tribune* published an update, noting that the LDS had strongly objected to the methodology of the study which resulted in that conclusion.

Saintly French Priest Isn't So Saintly

Stories about revered religious figures who turn out to be perverts aren't news. However, the French were recently shocked to discover a priest described by the Associated Press, apnews.com, as “legendary” and a “lifelong advocate of the homeless” has been added to that list.

Abbé Pierre was a widely popular figure in France before his death in 2007. He first became well known in the 1950s when he worked to have the French Parliament enact a law, which still exists, forbidding evictions in winter. Later on, he founded the Emmaus Community for the poor.

His foundation issued a statement in which it acknowledged seven women (one a minor at the time) have accused him of sexual assault or harassment between the late 1970s and 2005. The foundation had commissioned a firm that specialized in violence prevention to interview the women. The women reported kissing and touching, as well as inappropriate sexual comments and suggestions. The victims were employees or volunteers. The foundation has set up a system for other possible victims to come forward so they could continue “collecting testimonies and providing support to people who were victims of or witnessed unacceptable behavior on the part of Abbé Pierre,” the statement said.

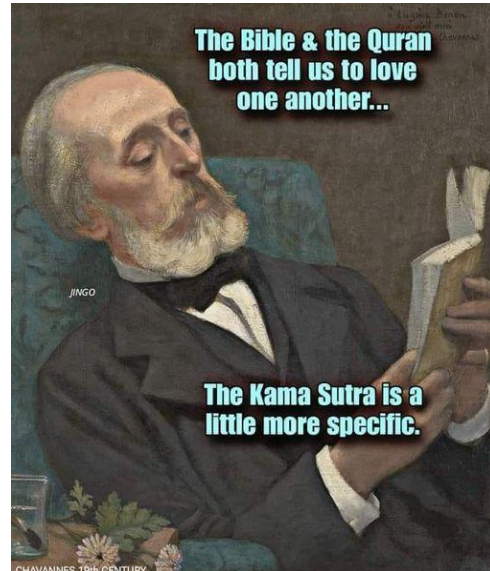
These allegations are just the latest in a list of popular Catholic leaders in France who have been accused of taking advantage of women. The late Jean Vanier was the founder of L'Arche federation, which cared for people with intellectual disabilities. A recent investigation revealed that Vanier twisted Catholic beliefs about Jesus and Mary to explain his compulsion to sexually abuse women. Vanier's activities were tied to that of two brothers, Revs. Thomas Philippe and Marie-Dominique Philippe, who founded two religious communities, L'Eau Vive and Community of Saint Jean. Thomas was close to Vanier, and apparently introduced him to abusive sexual practices.

The article notes the Vatican generally does not take action against priests or spiritual leaders who take sexual advantage of adult women. Such activity, according to the Catholic church is consensual, albeit sinful. And of course the Vatican tends to blame the evil woman for seducing the innocent, holy priest.

Cow Vigilantism

Hindus attacks on Muslims in India have been a problem for a long time. The New York *Times*, nytimes.com, reports an increase in a particular type of violence – cow vigilantism.

Cows of course are sacred to Hindus particularly to members of higher castes. Many Indian states ban the slaughter of cows, and the sale or smuggling of beef. Cow vigilantism refers to “violence related to the slaughter or smuggling of cows, or the suspicion of such acts.” A group of Hindu men beat a 72-year-old Muslim man because they thought he was carrying beef in a bag. Some self-described “cow protectors” shot and killed a 19-year-old Hindu because they incorrectly thought he was a Muslim smuggling cows.



India has a mix of religious adherents: one billion Hindus, around 200 million Muslims, 30 million Christians, 25 million Sikhs and other religious minorities. These groups often have difficulty getting along. The success of the Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party, or B.J.P. has resulted in an increase of violence against Muslims. India's National Crime Records Bureau reports hundreds of incidents of religion-inspired violence each year.

Harsh Mander, a human rights and peace activist, says the attacks are so frequent that “they have almost lost their capacity to shock.” He notes that is particularly true of violence against Muslims. “First it is normalized, second it is legitimized and third it is valorized. So it is not only normal to do it, but it is good to do it.”

“Gau rakshaks”, or cow protectors, act as enforcers of cattle laws, which vary by state. Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India, has emphasized cow protection as part of his political platform. More than 20% of attacks on Muslims by Hindus since 2019 were related to cow vigilantism, the largest single category. Modi won by a smaller margin than was expected in India's recent election, and there was some hope that might lead to a reduction in the violence. That has not been the case.

In other news from India, at least 46 people drowned celebrating a three-day festival celebrating the well-being of children. Sadly, and ironically, 37 of the people who died were children.

During the festival, women fast, and bathe in rivers and ponds, often with their children. Usually, police officers and divers monitor the celebrants, but it isn't clear what safety measures were taken this year. This event apparently does not usually lead to mass drownings. Officials aren't sure what happened, but did say water levels were higher, due to steady rains.

Religious Workers and Green Cards

The US Catholic Church, and other denominations, have become increasingly dependent on religious workers, including priests, from foreign countries. A sudden change in the way the government processes green cards has threatened the ability of these workers to remain here.



According to the Associated Press, apnews.com, most religious workers come here under temporary visas called R-1, which allows them to work here for five years. That gave their parent organization a chance to see if the worker met their expectations, and then petition for permanent religious status (or green cards) under a special category, EB-4. Over the last few years, a large number of neglected or abused minors from Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador have sought green cards, too. Originally they were processed separately – in their own “line” – but in March 2023 the State Department decided that was a mistake. These minors were added to the general waiting list that included the clergy, resulting a backlog that stands at 3.5 years, and could increase. The article says it could take 10-15 years now to get a green card.

Religious organizations want Congress and the Biden administration to fix this. The Catholic Diocese of Paterson, NJ, and five of its priests whose legal statuses are in danger of expiring, have sued the Department of State, Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Their lawsuit states this new process "will cause severe and substantial disruption to the lives and religious freedoms" not only of the priests, but of the Catholics of Paterson. Other dioceses and religious groups are thinking about suing, as well.

American Catholic dioceses have been dealing with a shortage of seminarians, priests and nuns for years, and have forged agreements with places such as Poland, the Philippines and Nigeria to bring in religious workers. Other denominations, such as Buddhism, Islam, and Pentecostal Christians also depend on foreign clergy, both because of a shortage of US recruits, and growing non-English-speaking congregations.

The affected organizations are lobbying for Congress to fix this problem. Given the emotions attached to immigration issues, they realize a legislative solution may be difficult to obtain. They have also put forward some administrative changes the agencies could implement. One change would be to allow applicants to change jobs (going from assistant pastor to senior pastor, for example) without losing their place in the green card line. Right now, applicants must spend 12 months outside the US once their visa expires; the organizations are suggesting changing that to one month.

There are other types of visas and green cards religious workers could apply for, but many clerical positions don't fit the requirements. Some religious workers – nuns, for example – aren't paid, so they can't show their US job will offer them the prevailing wage, a requirement meant to protect American workers in non-religious employment categories. As one of the religious leaders noted, clerical positions are in a class by themselves: "A lot of religious orders are not wealthy. They're not like Microsoft, you can't go to a business school or computer science school and recruit."



"Oh, no—the other team is praying, too."

Hiding Out in the South Pacific

The Catholic Church has a long history of moving priests accused of sexual abuse to different parts of the country. The New York Times, [nytimes.com](https://www.nytimes.com), recently discovered that some priests have been moved even farther: to Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Kiribati and Samoa.

At least 10 priests have been sent to New Guinea, and another 24 were dispatched from New Zealand, Australia, Britain and the US to other parts of the South Pacific. Superiors appear to have known about the sexual abuse allegations in at least 13 cases.

The remoteness of these islands makes it difficult for authorities to bring them to justice. And, of course, it puts the islanders at risk; at least three of the men have continue to abuse victims in their new location.

The Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests (SNAP) pressed Pope Francis about this when he visited New Guinea. While Francis has repeatedly apologized for sexual abuse in the church, but observers point out the Pacific Islands have been a "dumping ground" for abusers for a long time.

Peter Loy Chong, the archbishop of Suva, the capital of Fiji, says there is no record of abusive priests being relocated there. But that might be caused by the way the church operates. If the accused cleric is a member of a religious order (a Jesuit or Franciscan, for example) the religious order is responsible for him, and bishops might not be aware of any accusations. It's also likely that bishops weren't interested in asking too many questions when a transfer was requested.

A New Saint?



PANViews has reported before on the Missouri nun, Sister Wilhelmina Lancaster, aka Sister Wilhelmina of the Most Holy Rosary, a religious order she founded. She's the nun who died in 2019 but whose body has not decomposed – as is shown in the picture at left. This lack of decomposition could be taken as a sign of sainthood.

According to [Foxnews.com](https://www.foxnews.com), her preserved condition was discovered in April 2023.

Her body was exhumed, with plans to rebury her in a new location. The wooden coffin had deteriorated, and observers noted the condition of her body. This caused a lot of excitement in religious circles. Her body was displayed in a new coffin with a glass cover, and modern-day pilgrims descended to Gower, MO, to venerate the miracle.

The diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph commissioned a team consisting of a pathologist, two medical doctors and a former coroner to examine her body to determine why it was in such good condition. According to Bishop James V. Johnston, "Within the limits of what has been observed during this time, the body of Sister Wilhelmina Lancaster does not appear to have experienced the decomposition that would have normally been expected under such previous burial conditions." He went on to explain that the team also "the team inspected the casket, and interviews were conducted with eyewitnesses to

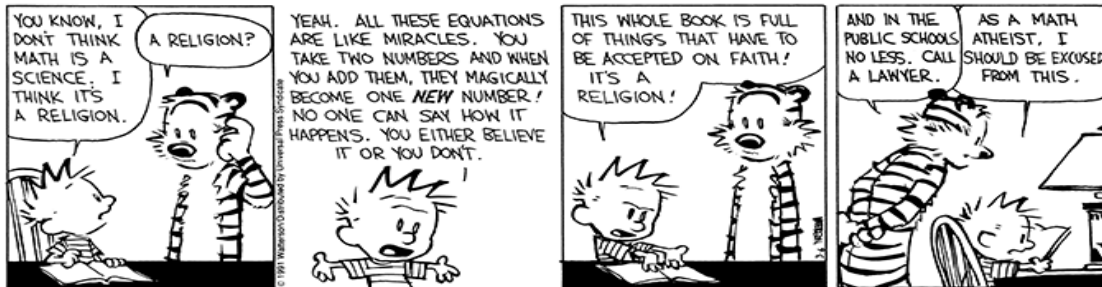
events immediately preceding the burial in 2019 and the exhumation in April 2023. In the final report, the investigative team noted that the condition of Sister Wilhelmina's body during the examination was notable for a lack of any detected features of decomposition." While the casket had deteriorated, the nun's clothing was completely intact. While Bishop Johnston noted the team only conducted "a limited examination" they were able to conclude "The condition of her body is highly atypical for the interval of nearly four years since her death, especially given the environmental conditions and the findings in associated objects."

The article quotes the Catholic Answers website to explain that when people don't decompose after death, it is called "incorruptibility." "Similar to how the Father did not allow Jesus' body to experience corruption while in the tomb (see Acts 2:27), God provides that the bodily remains of some of his faithful ones will not undergo bodily corruption." the site said.

There is no official process in the church to label a dead body as "incorrupt." Bishop Johnston pointed out that incorruptibility, by itself, is not an "indication of sainthood" and there are no plans to begin a push to have her canonized. The nuns in her religious order don't quite agree; their statement says they "look forward to beginning the process of canonization when the time is right."

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



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PAN News & Updates

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Meetings – PAN holds in-person and online meetings. Locations, times, and dates below.

Online meeting – Fourth Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM. We hope to split the meeting into an hour of chat and an hour of presentation or more structured discussion. Anyone with a book/movie review, discussion topic, or potential guest speaker should contact Dietrich

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Chambersburg – Second Thursday of the month, 6:30 PM, China House

Cumberland/Mechanicsburg – Third Wednesday of the month, Gather Your Party Gaming & Hobby, 219 North Hanover Street, Carlisle, PA. This group plays board (atheist) games!

Harrisburg – First Wednesday of the month, 6:30 PM, Zeroday Brewing Company Taproom, 923 North 3rd Street.

Lancaster – Fourth Wednesday of the month, 6:00 PM, Centerville Diner, 100 S. Centerville Rd.

Lebanon – Third Thursday of the month, 6:00 PM, Infinito's Pizza buffet 1725 Quinton Reading – Third Thursdays at 7:15 PM, 3rd & Spruce Drafthaus, 238 S 3rd Ave, Reading, PA 19611

York – First Sunday at noon, Mexitaly Brick Oven Brewhouse, 2440 East Market St.

And a new addition, **Nittany Freethought in State College**

- Second Saturday every month (Nittany Freethought Skeptical Eating) (12:00 – 2:00 PM) at India Pavilion, 222 East Calder Way, State College, PA.

- Fourth Tuesday of every month (Nittany Freethought meeting) (5:30 - 7:30 PM) at Schlow Centre Region Library, 211 South Allen Street, State College, PA

The weekly SMART Recovery meetings will be held on Thursdays from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, at 1975 York Haven Rd, Etters, PA 17319

How to Contribute to PAN

Giant Cards - We will have Giant grocery store cards available for purchase at PAN meetings. You pay face value for the card and use the face value at the store, but Giant lets PAN have 5% of that face value. If you shop at Giant, anyway, use the cards in lieu of cash and help PAN. What could be easier?

Pennies for PAN - Finally, we are happy to take money the old-fashioned way. You can give your tax-deductible contribution to a Board Member at one of our meetings or events, you can donate via PayPal on our website, www.panonbelievers.org, or you can mail a check to us at PA Nonbelievers, Inc. PO Box 702, York, PA 17405. Remember when you donate you can indicate what fund you want your donation to go to, you can find the list of our funds on the PAN website in the Donate section.

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