

**News and Current Events :: A Pint With Your Priest: Church Books Bar****A Pint With Your Priest: Church Books Bar - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2005/10/27 22:59**

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MANCHESTER, N.H. - So, these two priests walk into a bar ... No joke. A Roman Catholic parish has booked four talks at a local bar in an effort to reach out to 20- and 30-somethings who don't go to church. Alcohol will be served.

"We're trying to reach out to people that don't go to church or maybe are lapsed Catholics," said Chris Paul, "evangelist at Ste. Marie. "The idea is just to find a different atmosphere that will reach different people."

The parish borrowed the idea from the Theology on Tap campaign started nearly 25 years ago in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Re: A Pint With Your Priest: Church Books Bar - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2005/10/27 23:03

This is from George Fox's journals:

When I came towards nineteen years of age, being upon business at a fair, one of my cousins, whose name was Bradford, having another professor with him, came and asked me to drink part of a jug of beer with them. I, being thirsty, went in with them, for I loved any who had a sense of good, or that sought after the Lord.

When we had drunk a glass apiece, they began to drink healths, and called for more drink, agreeing together that he that would not drink should pay all. I was grieved that any who made profession of religion should offer to do so. They grieved me very much, having never had such a thing put to me before by any sort of people. Wherefore I rose up, and, putting my hand in my pocket, took out a groat, and laid it upon the table before them, saying, "If it be so, I will leave you."

So I went away; and when I had done my business returned home; but did not go to bed that night, nor could I sleep, but sometimes walked up and down, and sometimes prayed and cried to the Lord, who said unto me: "Thou seest how young people go together into vanity, and old people into the earth; thou must forsake all, young and old, keep out of all, and be as a stranger unto all."

Re: A Pint With Your Priest: Church Books Bar - posted by groh_frog, on: 2005/10/29 6:55

That approach really doesn't surprise me. The Catholic church is focused on a works-based salvation, and, as far as I'm concerned, is a cult (false hope). The fact that it's becoming more worldly in its approaches doesn't seem like much of a stretch. But it can be a dangerous one, especially if it's sending the message that it's alright to live in your sin, just go to mass and you'll be forgiven! Just another deception that could make it more difficult to show them the truth. Father, be with us.

Grace and Peace...