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EL CARDENAL BURKE REPRENDE A LA UNIVERSIDAD DE NOTRE DAME POR HOMENAJEAR A JOE BIDEN, QUIEN ESTÁ A FAVOR DEL ABORTO

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PHILADELPHIA, April 7, 2016 (LifeSiteNews) – The University of Notre Dame’s decision to give Vice President Joe Biden their highest award is scandalous and undermines the Church’s teaching on life and marriage, Cardinal Raymond Burke said in an interview published today.

Speaking with Catholic Action for Faith and Family’s Thomas McKenna, Cardinal Burke said the invitation represents what Pope Saint John Paul II, in his apostolic exhortation on the laity, called “one of the greatest evils of our time” - that is, the tendency of Catholics to separate their faith from their daily living.

“And this is exactly what we have here,” Burke stated of Notre Dame’s choice to honor Biden. “So we have the impression, given to other Catholics and to the population in general, that one can believe one thing and act in a completely contrary way.”

The patron of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta and former prefect of the Vatican’s highest court said the Catholic college’s public honoring of the pro-abortion and homosexual “marriage” vice-president would lead the faithful and others astray.

“The fact of the matter is that most people will simply conclude that the Catholic teaching with regard to the inviolable dignity of innocent and defenseless human life and the integrity of marriage as the faithful, indissoluble and procreative union of one man and one woman, is not very firm and that it can easily be violated,” the cardinal said.

“Therefore it is a great scandal within the Church, but it is also a great scandal within society in general which depends upon the Church to give a witness to the truth about human life and the family.”

Along with the release of the interview, Catholic Action for Faith and Family is urging supporters to send a word of support to Fort Wayne-South Bend Bishop Kevin Rhoades.

In the interview, Cardinal Burke affirmed Rhoades’ response to the scandal. “Bishop Rhoades is simply exercising his responsibility as a teacher of the faith and as a bishop who has the care of a prominent Catholic university in his diocese,” Cardinal Burke told McKenna, “and what he says is absolutely true and most commendable.”

“I find it difficult to imagine that a Catholic university would assign its highest honor to any politician who favors abortion and who also advocates for the recognition of the sexual liaison of two people of the same sex as equal to marriage,” the cardinal continued. “It is even more difficult to imagine that the university would confer such an honor upon a Roman Catholic who supports these anti-life and anti-family policies and legislation.”

The cardinal expressed hope that Notre Dame would hear the voice of its shepherd, and right the gravely wrong decision.

Cardinal Burke recently called upon Catholics to storm heaven with a monthly Rosary and prayers at Mass for hope to combat the work of the evil and guidance out of the Church’s current confusion.