

Now is the Time: Organizing Direct Action to Protect our Children from Predatory Priests and those who aid them

A Practical Guide on How To Document, Publish, Arrest and Expel Public Enemies

A Directive from ITCCS International, Brussels

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On May 30, our global network of over fifty organizations issued an historic declaration to the Vatican and Joseph Ratzinger. (see www.itccs.org)

This statement announced our intent to globally publish the identity of known child raping clergy and their helpers, and to perform citizens' arrests of these sick predators because of the continued refusal of police and judicial authorities to do so.

We have begun this campaign by gathering the evidence of the names, locations and pictures of such child rapists in a central archive whose evidence will be made public. If you have knowledge of such criminals, please forward it immediately to this email.

Armed with this information, the critical phase in our campaign will then commence: organizing Action Groups to publicly post the identity of these rapists and physically arrest and detain them so they cannot harm any more children.

These **Child Protection Action Groups (CPAG)** are now being formed in Canada, the USA, Ireland, Australia, Italy and England.

Each CPAG will consist of a disciplined team of between five and ten people led by a Coordinator. The entire team will receive training in common law procedure and protocol for undertaking citizens' arrests.

The CPAGs are not disorganized "vigilantes", but principled community protectors who will treat proven child rapists firmly and non-violently, and will remove them from their church and their office in full public view.

The CPAGs will not be disrupting church services but will quickly escort the child rapist from the building after declaring him to be a threat to public safety.

To be clear, the CPAGs will not be acting alone when they enter church property and detain child rapists, but will do so as part of a larger public presence.

Our supporters will stage accompanying protests, sit-ins and occupations at the same time as the arrests are being made in order to alert the public and media, and to demonstrate how these actions are *a self-defensive public safety measure* and are legally necessary to ensure the safety of our children.

One of our ITCCS organizers in the eastern United States, for example, writes,

“There’s a convicted child molester preaching every Sunday in the local Catholic Church here in (blank). The local Bishop’s ignored all our letters and leaflets about this guy, and so have the police. So now we’re going ahead and we’ll defrock him in plain sight. We’ll confront him and tell him he has no right to be a priest, then strip him of his robe and vestments, right there, and escort him out of the church. I’ve seen the Mohawk women do that to their own corrupt chiefs. The public shaming always works best!”

This is the gist of our efforts: to prevent child rapists and the church officials who protect them from being able to operate any longer.

It’s important to remember that since churches are publicly funded organizations maintained through your taxes, churches are public space, and you therefore have every right to enter church property, especially if you suspect or know that child rapists and their protectors are operating in them.

During our actions, if the police are called by church officials and they arrive, a CPAG spokesperson will immediately approach them and read to them a public statement that calls upon the police to exercise their oath of public office and assist us in detaining a known child rapist who is a clear and present danger to children. They will be handed a Public Letter of Demand calling on them to do so.

If they refuse to respond and even begin to challenge our actions, they will then be formally deputized and instructed to assist us in arresting someone who is a clear danger to the community.

If the police nevertheless act to protect the rapist, they will have violated a public responsibility placed upon them, and will have thereby surrendered their right to hold their office. At that point under common law, they can be legally ignored. *Any act by the police after that to prevent our defense of children will constitute an illegal assault and obstruction of justice, and they can be tried and convicted of these offenses.*

For our own security and defense, every CPAG will be accompanied during their actions by legal observers and several videographers who will witness and record the entire course of events.

From our long experience, it is rare for the police to physically intervene in these situations – especially when the media and witnesses are present – since the church officials fear any possible damage to their property or reputations by engaging in direct confrontations with

protestors. Normally, the cops simply stand by and watch, especially when a large crowd is present. So numbers and public exposure are our best allies.

As well, don't forget that the CPAGs will be showing up at the churches unannounced, and will therefore be able to confront, detain and escort from the building the rapist before the police even arrive.

Nevertheless, tactically speaking, your CPAG may choose to mount a diversionary action to draw off the police if they do show up while the rapist is being detained – such as by staging a church occupation to coincide with the citizens' arrest. This is especially advisable if your numbers are small.

Once your CPAG has successfully removed the rapist from the church premises and stripped him of his robes of office, and filmed the entire event, a CPAG representative will hand the rapist a formal Cease and Desist Restraining Order banning him from being within a hundred yards of the church in question. *He is then to be released. We cannot therefore be accused of kidnapping.*

If the rapist ignores this Restraining Order, he can then be permanently detained, and any church officials who aid and abet him can themselves be placed under citizens' arrest and the church permanently occupied as a public safety measure.

All of the recorded evidence of these actions will be posted on You Tube and on our archived website in order to alert the community to these individuals, and to encourage similar actions around the world.

If you wish to volunteer to be a part of a CPAG, contact this email or the ITCCS organizer in your area. A schedule of training events and other upcoming actions will be published at www.itccs.org and sent to you by email.

The actions we take today will save the lives and sanity of tomorrow's children. It is therefore our sacred duty to bring our deeds into conformity with our love for all children, by placing their well-being and safety before all other considerations. May that knowledge give you the courage to act!

Contact us directly for more information and assistance. For the children!

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Child Protection Action Groups (CPAGs)

Aims:

1. Research, Document and Monitor child rapists in churches, and those who protect them
2. Publicly identify and name them
3. Arrest, defrock and banish them
4. Occupy churches and facilities that shelter or aid them
5. Connect with other CPAG's and coordinate actions