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Pastor's Column

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This is the sixth in a series of perspectives that I am providing on the clergy sexual abuse crisis that continues to grip the Church.

On Pentecost Sunday, May 23, I will conclude this series with my own personal thoughts.

Here is a list of the previously published perspectives in our Parish Bulletin:

"What Does It Mean to Be Catholic?"

by Deacon Greg Kendra, April 11, 2010;

"Why I Remain a Catholic"

by Elizabeth Scalia, April 18, 2010;

"The Catholic Church's Catastrophe" by Peggy Noonan, April 25, 2010;

"Homily at the Easter Vigil, April 3, 2010"

by Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin and Primate of *Ireland, May 2, 2010;*

"We Are Being Forced to Our Knees," by Bishop Raymond Lueker, May 9, 2010.

If you have not yet read these, I would encourage you to do so. They are available on our Parish website: www.stmoside.org.

Today's perspective by William Wan appeared in the Washington Post on April 2, 2010. It deals with the struggle that clergy across the country have in regard to how to address this issue with their respective congregations.

The article appears as an insert in today's bulletin.

As Easter Nears, Priests Struggle with How, Whether to Address Church Scandals

Please click the link below to read the article.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/04/01/AR2010040103771.html