

The Vatican Is Rocked by Sex Scandals and Drug Arrests

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New scandals have rocked the Vatican, including sexual assault charges against Cardinal Pell, the Treasurer for the Vatican, and the arrest of one of the Pope's top advisors who was caught by police taking drugs and participating in a gay-sex orgy. There also is the unexplained death of Cardinal Joachim Meisner, who vigorously opposed the Pope's acceptance of divorce and "Liberation theology", which is a Marxist-revolutionary interpretation of Christianity. All of this has raised the question of whether the Church can (or should) survive such extreme departures from traditional doctrine. -GEG