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### RC schools say No to sodomites



**Bishop Devine**

**Sodomite teachers would not 'fit' in to Catholic schools, according to Bishop Devine of Motherwell in Scotland. He claims that there is no place for homosexual teachers in Roman Catholic schools.**

Bishop Devine said: "Being openly gay would not at all be compatible with the charter." The bishop said he could appreciate the fears of parents who did not want their children taught by homosexuals.

However, councillor Rev Ewan Aitken, a Labour Party councillor in Edinburgh and a spokesman for the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities, the voice of Scottish local government, said: "Local authorities would never countenance discriminating against a teacher because of sexual orientation."

Given the track record of Rome and her policy of concealing sodomite priests from their parishioners in the past, her stance on this matter regarding schools has less to do with principle than it has with parent-power.

The government's reaction to Rome's stance will be interesting since our own Christian schools are likely to come under pressure to conform to a non-discriminatory policy of appointing teachers.