

# William P. Leahy

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One of the biggest issues that we face is that we have people who have their own particular concerns, whether it's on abortion, birth control, divorce and remarriage, civil rights or social justice.

~William P. Leahy

I would say the hierarchy has made terrible errors in judgment and it has to seek forgiveness by its members.

~William P. Leahy

Now where people are - at least the people I talk to - they are focused on issues of trust. Accountability also comes up, to make sure that this doesn't happen again.

~William P. Leahy

The more we can get together and talk about various perspectives, feelings, beliefs, the better.

~William P. Leahy

We've always had issues up for discussion at Catholic universities.

~William P. Leahy

No organization, whether it's police or physicians or whatever, wants to have its errors held up to the light of day, but it's wrong, as is coming out so well.

~William P. Leahy

The church may hold whatever it holds with regard to clerical celibacy.

~William P. Leahy

BC is not going to replace the hierarchy, and BC is not going to lead some major reform in the Catholic Church - that's got to come out of the whole Catholic community.

~William P. Leahy

I think the issue of clergy sexual abuse sparked people to look at their faith in a different way.

~William P. Leahy

We are the meeting place, an entity that's trying to connect faith and culture.

~William P. Leahy

What we're about is a manifestation of the Catholic roots of Boston College.

~William P. Leahy

Some of the speakers we bring on campus may not reflect official church teaching, but that's how it is.

~William P. Leahy

The Spirit hasn't deserted the church today.

~William P. Leahy

The challenge for the church is how do we have unity about basic beliefs and yet respect individual differences.

~William P. Leahy

I am very confident that the Spirit is with us.

~William P. Leahy

Clearly there are individuals who don't understand what the church teaches, or they think it's so limiting.

~William P. Leahy

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