

Dolan says Catholic Church 'out-marketed' on gay marriage



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Cardinal Timothy Dolan says the Catholic Church has been “out-marketed” on gay marriage and has been “caricatured as being anti-gay.”

NBC’s “Meet the Press” host David Gregory asked the Archbishop of New York in an interview that aired Sunday if the church is “losing the argument” on the issue of gay marriage.

“Well, I think maybe we've been out-marketed, sometimes,” Dolan replied. “We've been caricatured as being anti-gay. And as much as we'd say, ‘Wait a minute, we're pro marriage, we're pro traditional

marriage, we're not anti anybody,’ I don't know. When you have forces like Hollywood, when you have forces like politicians, when you have forces like some opinion-molders that are behind it, it's a tough battle.”

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But the Catholic Church is “not going to give up on it,” he added.

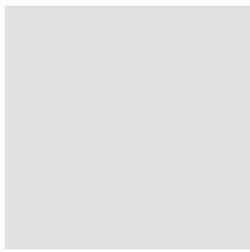
“I do think to get back to your question though, David, you know, back in 1973 with Roe v. Wade, everybody said, ‘This is a foregone conclusion. In a couple years, this issue is going to go away. It's going to be back-burnered,’” Dolan said. “To this day, it remains probably the most divisive issue in American politics. And as you look at some of the changing attitudes, you say, ‘Wow, we're beginning to affect the young with the pro-life message.’”

“So you don't think the gay marriage debate is over, a settled question?” Gregory asked.

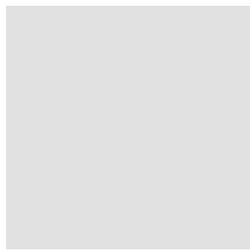
“I don't think it's over,” Dolan replied. “No. I don't think it is.”

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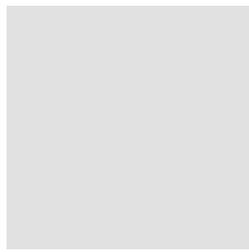
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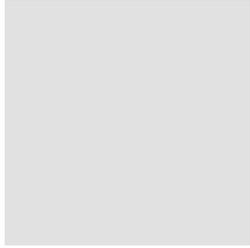
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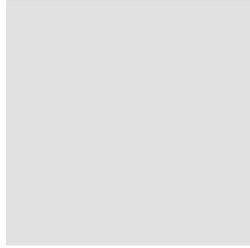
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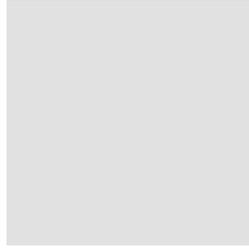
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