



### Interview with Mons. Marcelo Sánchez Sorondo



Tuesday November 21, **Msgr. Marcelo Sánchez Sorondo**, Chancellor of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences gave a lecture entitled: "***The Relationship of Faith-Reason in the Teaching of Pope Benedict XVI***", organized by the Science and Faith Diploma Program and introduced by Fr. Rafael Pascual LC, Dean of the School of Philosophy and Director of the Diploma Program.

After the lecture, Diplomas were awarded to those students who concluded the Diploma Program for the 2005-06 academic year.

SRM interviewed Mons. Sánchez Sorondo and has published an account of the conference and the award ceremony.

[\*\*Link Lecture description \(italian\)\*\*](#)

[\*\*Link Video Msgr. Sánchez Sorondo \(italian\)\*\*](#)

### Cardinal Caffarra: "***Faith and Reason: A Difficult but Necessary Cohabitation***"



ZENIT will publish three lectures of Cardinal Carlo Caffarra, Archbishop of Bologna, given to professors of the University Alma Mater Studiorum of Bologna.

In the first lecture, the Cardinal speaks about the difficult yet necessary encounter between Faith and Reason, an "*unavoidable urgency.*"

[\*\*Link first lesson on ZENIT \(italian\)\*\*](#)

### Bill on Human Cloning Criticized in Spain



*Opposition continues to grow in Spain against a bill that would authorize, not only destroying human embryos to obtain stem cells, but also allow human cloning "for experimental purposes".*

Among the more authoritative voices, the "*Observatorio de Bioética de la Universidad Católica de Valencia San Vicente Marti*" has recently published an analysis of the bill and an Open Letter by Luis Franco Vera (member of the *Real Academia de Ciencias Exactas, Físicas y Naturales*). Numerous scientists have co-signed Letter, affirming that, as well as other dangers, it also creates false hope for therapies using embryonic stem cells.

[\*\*Link article on ADUC \(italian\)\*\*](#)

## Science and Conscience Must Unite



During the inauguration of the VIII Conference of *"Catholics and Public Life,"* in Madrid, Monsignor Monteiro de Castro, Apostolic Nuncio to Spain, affirmed that *"human beings cannot and must never be sacrificed for the success of science or technology."*

Monsignor Monteiro de Castro emphasized that *"a scientist truly helps humanity if he preserves the sense of transcendence of man over the world, and of God over man,"* and that science will indeed serve *"the cause of man"* if it *"unites itself to conscience"*.

**[Link article on ZENIT \(italian\)](#)**

## Upcoming Events:



### Science and Faith Diploma Program

***Lecture of Mons. Melchor Sánchez de Toca***, Under-secretary of the Pontifical Council for Culture: ***"Gerbert d'Aurillac: Monk, Scientist, Pope"***.

Tuesday, November 28

5.10 pm to 6.40 pm (Aula Masters)

Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, Rome

*Part of the "Scientists and Believers" Lecture Series.*

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