

OUR DEAR SISTERS OF THE NORTHERN RIVERS HOUSE HAVE SENT THE "TRAIL" A COPY OF AN EDITORIAL FROM THE "NORTHERN STAR" A LISMORE NEWSPAPER. TWO OF THE SISTERS HAD BEEN INTERVIEWED IN THE SAME PAPER THE DAY BEFORE. SISTER GENNI TALLIA AND SISTER IMA SEAMSTRESS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HEARING IF ANYBODY HAS ANY THOUGHTS ON HOW TO REPLY.

EDITORIAL

This mockery is hurtful!

Homosexual men dressed as nuns appeared in Lismore this week to push their own cause.

They called themselves the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence.

And indulge they did, but why they would want to make fun of religious orders to do so is difficult to fathom.

They say they want to rid the world of negative attitudes, yet they appear to be quite prepared to mock the spiritual calling of others to achieve that aim.

Is that fair?

They also say that they are a non-judgmental group trying to spread joy, even though they acknowledge that some members of the community found their 'order' provocative.

Some joy.

Apparently it is all right (for them) to have a pot-shot at religious orders so that they can draw attention to their own plight.

Furthermore, they say they need something to help them feel 'okay' about their homosexuality, but is it necessary for them to make others feel not okay in the process?

These 'sisters' get about in nuns' habits, perform ceremonies which childishly parody the sacred holy communion of real churches, and hold rituals which can only be interpreted as an insult to established denominations.

They apparently believe this to be amusing.

Yet if they truly believe that all people of the world should be accorded dignity, then they would not use the calling of nuns to make their fun.

Nuns are known to society for their meditation, their teaching, their nursing and their community work. These 'brides of Christ' have a life-long commitment to God.

Moreover, they are universally held in high regard for their sense of dignity.

Perhaps the 'comic nuns' fail to appreciate the counter-productive nature of a mocking display which defiles good people.

Is nothing sacred?

Not for some perpetual indulgers.

IN MEMORIAM

The Order is saddened to learn of the death of one of our Saints. Saint Fred of Bligh died on the 4th of May.

Fred Miller was canonised for his important part in setting up and being the first police Gay liaison officer in Sydney.

"He is with her now,
and shares her den"