

as an adult to use that faith and go to Mass and receive the grace and the strength that you need to continue living the life that's hard for all of us in many ways. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Miss...Madam Chairman and members of the Legislature and Senator Crosby, I accept what you had to say, but here's something else I say when people bring these issues up and they...they litigate them in court and it becomes a matter of public record, then I'll comment on those things that are a matter of public record and I will say this, my intent is not to offend you or anybody else, but, Senator Crosby, I have a Catholic education. I graduated from a Jesuit university. I studied Thomas Aquinas. I studied all of the church fathers, the Angelic doctors, the Cherubic doctors, and these are terms that were applied to them by Catholic writers. I studied about the popes. I read more from the Catholic encyclopedia in the library than any person at that university, including the priests that I talked to because they conceded it, so I understand probably more what the Catholic Church claims to be about than people who call themselves parishioners. And if you want to find some things said about the Catholic Church that will be...really be distressing to you, read the things written by Catholic writers. So that having been said, I wanted to be clear that my intent is not to offend Senator Crosby, but if in making this point in the way that I did it did offend her, there's nothing that I can do about that. But it shows what happens when we put into a bill like this a requirement that one of the things the mediator talks about is religious upbringing. That's in this bill. That's one of the things a mediator is to get these people to talk about. So suppose one of them is as sensitive as Senator Crosby and the other one is lacking in sensitivity about religion as I am, and they got to talk to us about that. And I say the same thing, nonsense. And my wife, or soon to be ex-wife says, well, you're going to hell. I say, you told me that so many times now that's nothing new. And then we're on that bad ground again, that bumpy road to no return. Why in the world, when we're talking about a situation between two people which is more charged and tension filled than our debating is on the floor of this Legislature now, but there is some tension here, do we think that this kind of bringing the people together and telling them in detail what they have to talk about is going to make things better? Suppose there were somebody, a rule of the Legislature, that said that now I have