

Catholic Press Month

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As religious liberty in our country is increasingly tested, Catholic Press Month reconnects us with serious business. It reminds us about how important it is to have our own voice in the public square. Today, this voice comes through radio, video and online as well as print media.

Our faith itself is a harmony of deeply held beliefs and actively lived commitments, both inside and outside of our houses of worship. It is important that we see current events through the eyes of faith. We see the beauty of creation and the worth of each human being. At the same time, as our vision is renewed and educated, we are better able to see the threats of evil and complacency. Part of Jesus' ministry continues to help us see the poor and vulnerable who otherwise might go unnoticed and uncared for. This is no small service of the Catholic press.

Greg Erlandson, president of the Catholic Press Association, says that the CPA "believes strongly that the newspapers, magazines, newsletters, books and blogs of its members are the most effective adult education tools to reach Catholics, and that they do so more efficiently than any other communications means outside the Sunday homily. This February, we do well to mark Catholic Press Month by acknowledging with appreciation the irreplaceable value of the most dynamic Catholic press in the world — and doing our part to support it."

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