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John O'Loughlin Kennedy was educated at University College, Dublin and did graduate studies as a Fulbright Scholar at the University of California, Los Angeles. In 1968, he and his wife, Kay, founded the international relief and development organization CONCERN and guided its development for the first ten years.

His recent book *The Curia is the Pope* is published by Mount Salus Press.

Like any secular bureaucracy, the curia covets power and control. It favours law over love and uses its power to enforce its rules and resist change. This is in marked contrast with Christ who never imposes his Way but wants us to choose it in freedom and follow it in love.

To protect its power, Rome tolerates deception and cover-ups. It inflates infallibility and obstructs the unity that Christ prayed for.

The Curia should be dismantled, decentralised, and partly reconstituted as an administration subject to a Governing Body of Bishops...always including the Pope...as envisaged by Vatican II.

The book shows that, notwithstanding the dogmas of 1870, this can be done and, further, that the demand for reform of the management is truly grounded in fidelity to Christ, to his gospel and his church. While it is thoroughly researched its presentation is straightforward and accessible to the non-specialist reader.

John is still involved with CONCERN WORLDWIDE which now employs about 3,500 indigenous personnel on development projects in 24 of the world's poorest countries as well as providing disaster and humanitarian relief at short notice.

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