

Mom's Newsletter

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"Thanksgiving is a great holiday:
good food, no guilt"



2004 Newsletter Predictions

Mike Boysen predicts that he will convince Joanie to get a new tattoo. "The one that says 'I ♥ Mark O'Brien' needs to get replaced with something classier. Like "New Market Men Do It Better," said the suave red-head.

Andy Lohrmann predicts he will become the World's Middleweight Boxing Champion "as long as my opponents box like my dad."

Heather Lohrmann is too busy for a prediction because she is studying.

Little BM (the winning name) has two: I am going to try to wound (not fatally) Jeff and hunt more. "And I think I can do both the same time."



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Don't worry, just a false alarm...

UNCLE BING NAMED CARDINAL

"There will some new rules around here"

(Vatican City) In a surprise move last week, Pope John Paul II named William D. "Bing" Miller a full Cardinal in the Catholic Church. "It is a real surprise and an honor," said Bing. "I was just remarking to my wife that how much fun it would be to become a Cardinal. But I meant being an alum of Bethlehem Academy, not one of the senior princes in the Catholic Church."



Some insiders in Rome were not that surprised with the selection. "Bing has been on our radar for many years," said an anonymous Vatican source. "We have been very impressed with his wisdom and his ways. In fact, he was almost picked in 2001 but we knew he was too busy to attend."

When asked about his 60+ year marriage, three kids and risky Episcopalian upbringing, the anonymous Cardinal shrugged and said, "You have to bend a few rules to get the good people." The Cardinal went on to say, "Hell, we have been ignoring the Romano Pontifici Eligendo for decades so getting Bing in the club was just icing on the biscotti."

Uncle Bing has no plans to cut back at Wal-Mart because "this Christmas will be a doozy" but has plans to get back to Rome as soon as things quiet down and get a few weeks off. "I want to get Lorraine out there, kick around with my buddies and start wearing that sweet, sweet hat."