

Nobel Peace Prize for Saddam

The Pope is **tipped to win** this year's Nobel Peace Prize for doing everything in his power to keep Saddam Hussein's peaceful regime peacefully in place.

There is no doubt that if the Pope's **profound moral insights** had been heeded by President Bush, Saddam would still be peacefully in power today. It has been pointed out that the Pope's candidacy faces the obstacle that

the jury "is majority female and the pope's position on abortion, contraception, the role of women in the church and homosexuality are well known."

– not to mention other **controversial decisions**. But it is thought that his decision to speak out at this critical moment in history, as well as his **decision not to speak out** on a certain other issue, will outweigh all those factors. Indeed, why should they disqualify him, since even being a **mass murderer and bloodthirsty dictator** has not previously been deemed to disqualify a person from receiving the Peace Prize?

That being so, the Pope's candidacy should nevertheless be set aside, for his contribution to the maintenance of Saddam's Peace is clearly less than that of Saddam himself, so it is Saddam who deserves the Prize.

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