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New York magazine on \"The Archbishop of Charm\"

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Interesting, breezy profile of New York's new archbishop, Timothy Dolan, in New York magazine cleverly titled, "The Archbishop of Charm."

Dolan is true to his reputation as a master "glad hander and back slapper," with all the predictable self-deprecation and good-guy-not-quite-comfortable-with-the-uniformed-butler humor.

But writer Robert Kolker, who presses Dolan on questions of same-sex relationships and same-sex marriage, comes to an essential question: "In choosing Timothy Dolan for the critical New York post," he writes, "Rome has picked someone who is, if nothing else, an expert message-deliverer, blending the spotlight-loving tendencies of an O'Connor with all of the warmth and approachability that Egan lacked. But if you can't alter the content of the message, is the delivery enough?"

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