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Self-Referential? Exhibit A

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The new pope has indicated several times that he does not want the Church to be "self-referential." If you are not sure what he means by that, I refer you to the blog of Father Zuhlsdorf where he addresses a question from a reader: "Is it a sin to fast during the octave of Easter?" That is what is meant by a self-referential Church.

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