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## More "Francis Effect"

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Cleaning out old emails this morning and I realized I had neglected to post this email I received from a priest at Yuletide:

*Well, I just celebrated Mass and got the best compliment afterward. A woman came out and said "that was the most welcoming Mass I've ever been to. It was a real 'Pope Francis' Mass! You got the message!" He's infectious!*

While Vaticanologists study the import of the new pope's words and deeds for the life of the Vatican and the world of the hierarchy, important as those are, here is where the "Francis Effect" really matters, in your local parish.

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