



Henry Catenacci. *La rovina dell'umanità*, 2009.

Baptized Catholic

Artbreak Gallery

December 6, 2009–January 6, 2010

extra ecclesiam nulla salus

(Outside the church, there is no salvation.)

—Saint Cyprian of Carthage

Original sin has never been expressed *so originally*.

NEW YORK—The statement *extra ecclesiam nulla salus* of Cyprian (3rd Century A.D.), an early Christian saint, was used by Pope Innocent III (r. 1198-1216) to justify the Crusades (against heretics) and Pope Boniface VIII (r. 1294-1303) to assert authority in matters of Church and state.

In *Baptized Catholic*, co-curated by John Ogren and Brenda Bradley, 15 artists, each christened a Roman Catholic, present 15 works, deliciously irreverent and provocatively iconoclastic responses to the Church's *magisterium* or teaching.

Participating artists: Brenda Bradley, Henry Catenacci, Hellman-Billings, Joseph Kilrain, Arthur Kirmss, Niki Lederer, Denise Martinez, Alyssa Monk, Mark Mulholland, Julio Pantoja, Carri Skoczek, Richard Straub, Luis Valle, Rosario Varela and Brett Wintle.

***Baptized Catholic* opens on December 6, the Feast of Saint Nicolas. The exhibition closes on January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany.**

Opening Reception

December 11, 2009

Feast of Saint Maria Maravillas de Jesus

6:00-10:00 PM

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Thursday-Sunday 1:00-7:00 PM

And by appointment