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A woman parishioner goes to her priest one day and tells him, "Father, I have a problem. I have two female parrots but they only know how to say bad words."

"What do they say?" the Catholic priest inquired.

"They say, '*Hi, we're hookers! Do you want to have some fun?*'" the woman answered.

Editor's Note: This parable is based on an online narrative of a joke sent by Mike Kolberg. The author of the original narrative is unknown. Bobby Reyes rewrote it to suit the purposes of the "Parables" column of this website. "That's obscene!" the priest exclaimed. After he put his thinking cap on, he said, "I may have a solution to your problem. I have two male talking parrots that I have taught to pray and listen to Gospel music."

"Bring your two parrots over to the rectory and we'll put them in the cage with my birds named Peter and Paul. My parrots can teach your pets to pray and worship. And your parrots are sure to stop saying that obscene phrase in no time," the priest said further.

"Thank you," the woman parishioner responded. "Perhaps, your pet birds can turn my parrots' obscene phrase into praises for the Lord."

The next day, she brought her female parrots to the rectory.

As the parish priest ushered her in, she saw the two male parrots inside their cage. The parrots held rosary beads as they prayed the Rosary.

Impressed, she walked over and placed her parrots in with them.

After a few minutes, the female parrots cried out in unison: "*Hi, we're hookers! Do you want to have some fun?*"

The priest's parrots were stunned. There was complete silence. Even the woman and the priest were shocked.

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One male parrot looked at the other male parrot and exclaimed, "Put the beads away, Peter. Our prayers have been answered!"

"Hallelujah, Paul, we will no longer be celibate," Peter the parrot said.

And the Catholic priest cried and wished he were a parrot, too. # # #

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