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More Conservative Craziness

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To observe that Father John Zuhlsdorf is a crank is like observing that the sun rises in the East. You don't get points for stating the obvious.

But, at the end of this post, in which he rightly faults President Obama for his response to a question about the HHS mandate, Zuhlsdorf includes a fake poster showing, in a row, Karl Marx, Vladimir Lenin, Mao-Zedong, and Obama. This crosses the line, even for someone as off-kilter as Zuhlsdorf. Marx, of course, was a writer and thinker, not a politician, so he fits rather oddly with the quartet: In Moscow, after the collapse of communism, the statues of Lenin were hurled from their pedestals, but not the statue of Marx not far from Red Square. There, the inscribed motto was altered, and not by much, to read: "Workers of the World, I'm Sorry." But, Lenin was bloodthirsty. Mao was one of the great mass murders of the 20th century. To put Obama with them is so wrong, I don't know where to begin.

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