

## More on Intrinsic Evil

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Professor David Cloutier has [an important article up at Commonweal](#) [1]. Cloutier, who teaches theology at that notoriously leftie hangout Mt. St. Mary's in Emmitsburg (that's a joke people!), examines the use of the concept "intrinsic evil" in the current political debate. With greater erudition, learning and theological heft, Cloutier makes the point I have been making for some time - it is the wrong category and its misuse makes the bishops look like they don't know what they are talking about. Cloutier is no left wing nut. I know him from the Catholic Conversation Project, the group of young theologians who meet every summer. But, he cares about the integrity of theology. The bishops should too!

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