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Nussbaum on Human Sexuality, the Church & Culture

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NCR's own Melissa Musick Nussbaum published an article about Human Sexuality, the Church and Culture in the current *Catholics in Alliance for the Common Good Forum*. It is arguably providential that Nussbaum's article came out the same day as Notre Dame announced its new LGBTQ student group. There is much in Nussbaum's essay that is splendid, but what strikes me as its most distinguishing characteristic is her willingness to admit ambivalence. I suspect our culture's discussions of a variety of issues, from abortion to gay marriage, would be better served by more open acknowledgement of ambivalence. As it is, in the culture wars, too often the only voices are those that belong to fundamentalists of all ideological stripes. Brava to Martha.

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