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Hahn Needs to Study Some Theology

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Over at the Wall Street Journal, Nicholas Hahn complains that the U.S. bishops have exceeded their competence by wading into matters such as tax policy and military spending. I am guessing that Mr. Hahn understands taxes have to do with justice -- he probably thinks most taxes are unjust! -- and that justice is a cornerstone of the moral law bishops are charged to uphold.

I am hopeful Hahn is acquainted with the church's long tradition of just war teaching, which certainly proscribes certain military measures as unjust. Mr. Hahn needs a crash course in theology before he criticizes the bishops.

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