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Election 2012 -- Bishop Thomas John Paprocki has been thinking a writing a lot about this year's presidential election. You no doubt already read Michael Sean Winter's assessment of the the bishop's talk in La Crosse, Wisc., for that city's Red Mass (See **MSW Responds to +Paprocki** [1]).

> Now we learn that Paprocki is writig about party platforms in his column in his diocesan newspaper. He writes, **Why am I mentioning these matters in the Democratic Party Platform? There are many positive and beneficial planks in the Democratic Party Platform, but I am pointing out those that explicitly endorse intrinsic evils** [2].
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> **So what about the Republicans? I have read the Republican Party Platform and there is nothing in it that supports or promotes an intrinsic evil or a serious sin.** [2]

Election 2012 -- **Franciscans urge attention to climate change in election** [3]

The Economy 2012 -- **Jobless Claims in US Fall More Than Forecast to Two-Month Low** [4]

The Economy 2012 -- **Economy in US Expanded Less Than Forecast in Second Quarter** [5]

Catholic priest accused of ivory smuggling [6]. A priest accused of molestation in the US is now implicated in the illegal trade of ivory in the Phillippines.

Uruguay lawmakers vote to legalize abortion [7] The vote in Uruguay's Chamber of Deputies was 50-49

Hindus disheartened at Catholic Church banning yoga in England [8]

Bishop Lori in Baltimore: **Catholic archbishop to host event opposing same-sex marriage** [9]

We are not making this up: The Roman Catholic ministry Courage, which perpetuates the "ex-gay" myth and demands a life of celibacy from gay people, **has released a terrifying video featuring a priest rapping about how sexual orientation and identity are a choice.** [10]

UPDATE: **German court: Catholics who don't pay religious tax must leave church** [11]

Moving the fence around marriage: the conscience of a Catholic senator [12]

NCR's sister publication, Celebration, posts reflections on each day's Scripture reading. Here's a link: **celebrationpublications.org/dailybread** [13]. You may want to bookmark it. It's a great way to begin the day.

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