

ASSESSMENT OF CONTEMPORARY ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IN AN ETHICAL PERSPECTIVE (SELECTED ISSUES)

Abstract: The perspective on economic activity, which is sometimes presented today, and refers mainly to economic goals, does not seem to fulfill the hopes placed in it. The reason for this state of affairs is to deprive it of the social context consistent with the real temporal goal of human activity, which is: the true development of man and his well-being. This place, according to the author, should be filled with an ethical approach to the undertaken activities, providing an appropriate atmosphere corresponding to the properly understood attributes of rationality and freedom inherent in human nature. It is not about any ethics, but precisely the one that promotes an unreduced image of man in the context of his temporal and eternal goals and the value of the common good. The purpose of this article is to present some arguments in the area of Catholic social reflection emphasizing the role of ethics in economic life and its place in contact with the contemporary logic of economic success, and the adopted research method, based on recalling some statements from documents and literature in the field of Catholic social thought, was calculated to emphasize selected reasons raised as part of Catholic argumentation.

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