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Morning Briefing

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House Speaker John Boehner is under fierce attack from conservatives in the blogosphere and on Twitter **over his ?purge? of several conservatives from top congressional committees.**

Opinion: **Tax Deduction Limits May Trim Deficits, but Not Easily**

Philippines Fears Typhoon Death Toll Will Climb

Vatican strips Austria's reform priest of 'monsignor' title

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

Lancaster: **Bishop asks people to 'hit the reset button' this Advent** Every parish church open Wednesday 7-8 pm with priests waiting to hear confessions.

Deported Catholic priest seeks return to Zambia

Church guard, two aides rob priest, seek blessings before fleeing on his 2-wheeler

Australia -- **Priest who resigned last year over his support for women priests offered \$5000 in severance.** Ministered for Melbourne archdiocese 32 years

Ireland: **Priests accused of sexual abuse want their accusers identified and allegations against them in writing,** says Association of Catholic Priests.

Ireland's Catholic bishops will issue a statement later today outlining their response to the report of the expert group on abortion.

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Maine's Catholic diocese in full compliance with child-protection policies

New Zealand archbishop to become Anglican ambassador to Rome

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