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Morning Briefing

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NCR Today

On TVs tonight: Alex Gibney's "Mea Maxima Culpa," premieres tonight on HBO, **tackles the Catholic Church's sordid history of sex abuse**

Los Angeles -- A letter from Archbishop José H. Gomez apologizing for years of child sexual abuse by priests **was read aloud to parishioners on Sunday**

Newark, N.J. -- **Priest who admitted groping boy appointed to high-profile position in archdiocese**

Peacemaking on contraception: **Catholic bishops should accept the newly revised HHS rules as a victory** by E.J. Dionne

Obamacare rule change not enough, Hobby Lobby attorney says

A German archbishop Gerhard Ludwig Müller (the Vatican's doctrinal watchdog) says **"targeted discrimination campaigns" against the church sometimes reminded him of a "pogrom sentiment."** Pogrom statement draws fire in Germany.

File this under ???: **NJ School Asks Girls, Not Boys, to Take Anti-Swearing Pledge** 'It's unattractive when girls have potty mouths'

Fort Wayne-South Bend, Ind. **Bishops emeritus John D'Arcy passes.** He was 80

London -- **Justin Welby legally confirmed as Archbishop of Canterbury** Upholds opposition to same-sex marriage.



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