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Morning Briefing

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PROVIDENCE, R.I. ? Rhode Island **has become the nation's 10th state to allow gay and lesbian couples to wed**, after a 16-year effort to extend marriage rights in this heavily Roman Catholic state.

Priest at center of Newark Archdiocese scandal quits ministry, , remains a priest but no longer has authority to say Mass, perform sacramental work or represent himself as an active priest.

New York Post editorial: **Fr. Fugee and Archbishop Myers**

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. -- A Missouri House committee is considering legislation **that would make it a crime for clergy to have sexual contact with adults whom they are counseling**.

Oakland gets new bishop: **Jesuit seminary director to head Oakland diocese**

Struggling Catholic schools strategize to draw new students

New Brunswick, Canada -- **Moncton diocese selling properties to cover sex abuse compensation costs**. Diocesan staff cut from 20 to 14.

Commentary -- Catholic priest in Britain: **"I have to drag couples down the aisle"**

Ohio Diocese **calls for need for Catholic fidelity** after teacher fired for being a lesbian

Commentary: **The plight of church workers in GIFs**

Little international support for arming Syria rebels

80 Percent of US Adults Fail to Meet Physical Activity Guidelines: CDC



Looking for an a little inspiration to begin

your day? NCR's sister publication, Celebration, gives you two options, both based on the Scripture readings of the day:

Pencil Preaching is blog that Celebration editor Pat Marrin combines scripture and sketching to reflect on the word.

Daily Bread is a series short reflections, written by four authors who meet regularly to share the readings. Daily Bread is intended to help daily preachers and others who pray from the assigned scriptures each day to orient themselves to the Living Word addressed to the church in the world. It's a great way to begin the day.

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