

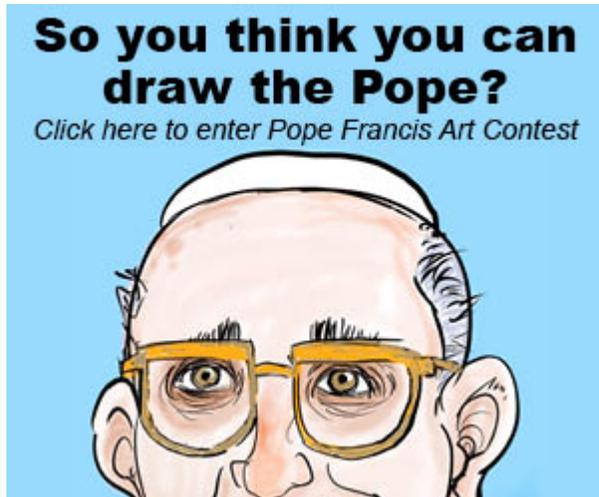
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Morning Briefing

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Have you seen Religion News Service's "**Pope Francis**

Art Contest"? Enter today.

Glenstal Abbey, Ireland -- **On 50th anniversary, Ireland interfaith gathering denied permission for shared Communion service**

Newcastle, Australia -- The former head of the then Maitland diocese **denied knowledge of the existence of church letters that exposed pedophile priests** as far back as the 1950s.

Can belief in God predict how someone responds to mental health treatment? **A recent study suggests it might.**

The church and population control: **Women bear the children, so women should have their say** by Myron J. Pereira, a Jesuit priest and media consultant based in Mumbai, India.

Mumbai, India -- Cardinal Oswald Gracias has expressed pain over the Bodh Gaya serial blasts and **extended his support to Buddhist pilgrims around the world**, three days after nine explosions shook the holiest Buddhist shrine in the Bihar.

Sacramento, Calif. -- **Bishop cancels appearance of Jihad Watch blogger** was to speak at St. Stephen the First Martyr Parish

Waterford, N.J. -- Parents of Assumption School students have filed a lawsuit against the diocese of Camden **in a last-ditch effort to block its decision to shut down the Catholic school.**

San Francisco -- St. Ignatius College Prep student **pursuing studies in conservation, environmental justice.** Has been a volunteer at the San Francisco Zoo since 2008.

Book provides interfaith spiritual perspective on our ecological disaster

Milwaukee -- **Supplier of equipment and fuel for archdiocese's cemeteries wonders why it never saw part of the \$57 million set aside.** The cemeteries owe him \$10,000.

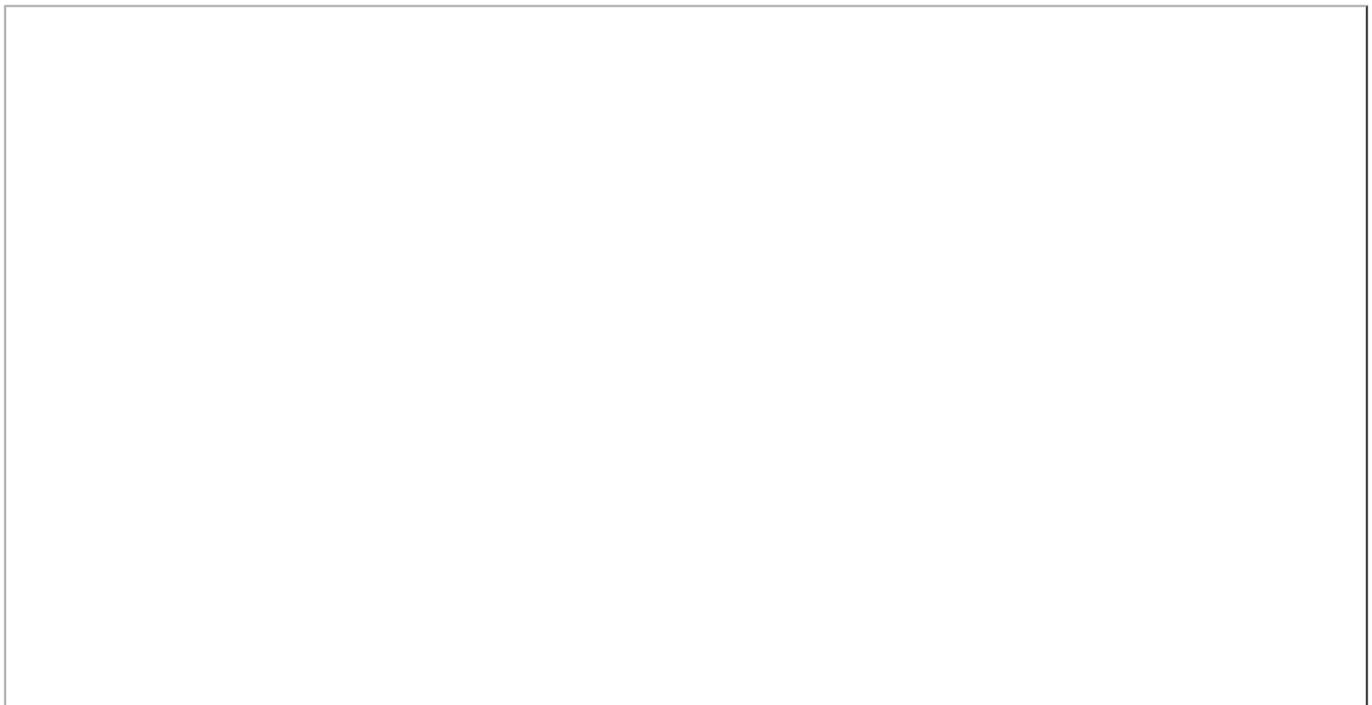
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Dublin -- **Irish politicians debate divisive abortion bill until dawn**

Dublin -- **Abortion vote delayed after all-night debate**

This was a broken link yesterday:

Mifflintown, Pa. -- **Parish volunteer bookkeeper in court on theft charges.** Allegedly took \$248,000 since 2005.





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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