

All ears on NCR in trying to decipher pope's take on homosexuality

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"Who am I to judge?" Pope Francis asked during a surprise in-flight news conference Monday. He was talking about gay priests, but what exactly did he mean? News outlets turned to *National Catholic Reporter* for context and illumination.

Senior correspondent John L. Allen Jr., who wrote [the story](#) [1] with the dateline "Aboard the papal plane," was interviewed by Judy Woodruff on [PBS NewsHour](#) [2] Monday night.

[The Washington Post](#) [3] [talked with blogger Michael Sean Winters](#) [3], who said of Francis: "He is leading with mercy. He never wags his finger."

And listeners to NPR's "Morning Edition" on Tuesday [heard NCR's new senior analyst, Jesuit Fr. Thomas Reese, give his take](#) [4] on the pope's comments.

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