

## Gehring on Francis

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[At the Post's "On Faith" blog](#), [1] John Gehring gives his take on Pope Francis. I quibble with his apparent distinction between "Church doctrine" and "the example of Jesus in the Gospels" as if the one did not flow from the other, but all in all, I think Gehring captures the sense of freshness about this pontificate and responds accordingly, with a hopeful, open-hearted stance. "Look, I am doing something new," we read in Isaiah. "Do you not perceive it?" Sadly, some don't. Happily, some, like Gehring, do.

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