

## Morning Briefing

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A discussion on Morning Joe -- [Will the Catholic church consider married priests?](#) [4] (Video)

[Why is the Roman Catholic church supporting immigration reform?](#) [5] *The Economist* explains.

New York -- [Transgender teacher's suit against Catholic school gets green light](#) [6]

Souix Falls, S.D. -- [Sioux Falls bishop criticizes college speaker](#) [7] -- Sr. Simone Campbell is speaking Thursday night at Mount Marty College.

[Dolan: Bishops still have concerns over HHS mandate](#) [8]

[Stockton diocese steps closer to bankruptcy](#) [9]

Kansas City, Mo. -- Today, federal prosecutors in Missouri [are seeking a 50-year prison term for a Roman Catholic priest who admitted taking pornographic photos of children.](#) [10] His case led to charges against Bishop Robert Finn for failing to report suspected child abuse.

Bangladesh garment factory collapse: [Still counting the cost of the Rana Plaza collapse](#) [11]

A new blog at *NCR*: [The Francis Chronicles](#) [12] reports on the ministry of the world's parish priest. Get to know the pastoral side of Francis.

[Pope Francis pitches in for mooncakes for Hong Kong prisoners](#) [13]

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[14] Looking for 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](#)** [14] is a blog that Celebration editor Pat Marrin combines scripture and sketching to reflect on the word.

**[Daily Bread](#)** [15] is a series of 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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