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Philippines -- **Manila floods force 270,000 to flee** [1]

Catholic Nuns Weigh Vatican Order [2]

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Maryland -- **Catholic supporters of same-sex marriage to hold news conference** [4]

Cebuano City, Philippines -- **Where the Catholic vote is crucial** [5]. Cebuanos turned out in droves to join the massive Anti-Reproductive Health (RH) bill prayer rally

Vatican Observatory director says Curiosity will expand human knowledge [6]

Press Release: Archbishop Denis Hart of the Archdiocese of Melbourne said today that **Melbourne?s The Age newspaper was holding Catholicism up for ridicule** [7]in an article published in The Age this morning.

Leon, Mexico -- The arrest of a man after a woman objected to him kissing his female companion in public **has prompted a "kiss-in" protest in a conservative Mexican city.** [8]

A PHILADELPHIA judge on Monday **denied bail to Monsignor William Lynn, the Catholic priest who was sentenced last month to serve three to six years in state prison** [9] for his role in enabling another priest to sexually abuse an altar boy.

Press Release: **Sex abuse victims to protest outside nuns? conference** [10]

NCR's sister publication, Celebration, posts reflections on each day's Scripture reading. Here's a link: **celebrationpublications.org/dailybread**. [11]You may want to bookmark it. It's a great way to begin the day.

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