

Morning Briefing

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["Friends of Syria" group recognizes opposition coalition](#) [1] but no explicit commitment to arm the rebels,

[Little Compromise Ahead of Egyptian Referendum](#) [2]

NCR's sister publication, Celebration, posts reflections on each day's Scripture reading. Here's a link: celebrationpublications.org/dailybread [3]. You may want to bookmark it. It's a great way to begin the day.

[Walter Sullivan, 'everyone's bishop' with passion for peace, dies](#) [4]

[Wisconsin bishop bans materials, speakers from interfaith center](#) [5]

Wisconsin vicar general responds to media coverage: [Catholic Church must protect truth of Gospel](#) [6]

Fargo, N.D. -- St. Odilia American National Catholic Church bills itself as a non-judgmental parish welcoming everyone, whether they are gay, divorced, disenfranchised or in recovery. The Diocese of Fargo says [Catholics should not attend this schismatic parish, and anyone who does so could be excommunicated.](#) [7]

Payson, Ariz. -- [Anglican Parish Will Rejoin Catholic Church On Sunday](#) [8]

Pew Research Center -- [74 percent of Catholics Satisfied with Pope](#) [9] 83% satisfied with the sisters

Australian Catholic Bishops set up [new Truth, Justice and Healing Commission to liaise with the Royal Commission into child sexual abuse](#) [10]. Former Supreme Court judge will head effort.

[China revokes new Shanghai Catholic bishop's title](#) [11]

MANILA, Philippines -- Catholic bishops held simultaneous masses on Wednesday, December 12, hours before the House of Representatives [votes on the controversial Reproductive Health bill that they staunchly oppose.](#) [12]

[50 Years of Fascination With Ravi Shankar](#) [13]

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