

## Morning Briefing

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The first Friday in Lent. Don't forget your morning scripture: [This, rather, is the fasting that I wish.](#) [1]

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your day? NCR's sister publication, Celebration, gives you two options, both based on the Scripture readings of the day:

**Pencil Preaching** [13] is a blog that Celebration editor Pat Marrin combines scripture and sketching to reflect on the word.

**Daily Bread** [1] 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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