

## Webathon 2013 is underway

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Webathon 2013

So what did you think of that video, [?Dancing NCR \[1\].?](#) That comes to you from the dancing feet of Porsia Tunzi, an NCR Bertelsen intern, and the camera work of staff writer Zoe Ryan. That is just small sample of the talent and creativity your donations to the NCR webathon will support.

If you missed the [?Dancing NCR?](#) video (or my much more dour one from early morning) you can still see it by visiting the Webathon Central page on the website. ([NCRonline.org/webathon \[2\].](#) ) Near the bottom of the page you'll find more links to all the videos that will appear on the NCR website this webathon week.

We've set our sights on raising \$100,000 this year. I hope you can help. Please [make a donation today \[3\]](#).

To jumpstart the webathon this morning, we began with a \$1,000 matching grant from Annette Lomont and Chuck Raaberg. I went to early Mass this morning, came home for some pancakes with the family, and then logged into to the webathon where I learned that that matching grant had already been met.

So I have a second matching grant challenge for our Sunday afternoon readers. Fr. Peter Phan has pledged to match the next \$500 that come into the webathon. Please [make a donation today \[3\]](#).

How often did you visit the NCR website during the papal conclave time? How much time did you spend reading news, analysis and informed commentary on this website during that time? That kind of intense reporting is labor intensive and expensive. Your generous donation -- \$10, \$15, \$20 ? will help ensure that NCR can continue to give you that kind of coverage on the issues you think are important.

And if you go to our [donation page now \[3\]](#), you can double your donation through Fr. Phan's matching pledge.

You can keep track of our progress on the Webathon Central webpage, [NCRonline.org/webathon \[2\]](#), where you will so find some fun features:

"NCR is..." A word cloud made up of words we heard from readers about how they describe NCR. See the answers here.

**Love notes to NCR.** Read love notes to NCR from around the world ... and submit one of your own.

**NCR video messages.** We will have a series of video-appeals throughout the week. I am sure some you will want to watch more than once and share with friends. Re-watch your favorite and catch ones you have missed. (Be sure to check back as more are posted through the week!)

Last year, your generosity allowed us to meet our \$100,000 goal. I hope you can help us repeat that success and meet this goal. [Please, donate now \[3\]](#).

Our theme this year is "Alive with the spirit."

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**Links:**

[1] <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YTv9TTrpIfM>

[2] <http://ncronline.org/webathon>

[3]

<https://npo.networkforgood.org/Donate/Donate.aspx?npoSubscriptionId=1001385&code=NetworkforGood>

[4] <http://www.linkedtube.com/v-A1ECRhZFA88cac105557d822d3b3ff8618781a50c.htm>