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Morning Briefing

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What? Are we really consulted in these matters? **Vatican asks for parish-level input on synod document** -- Is this the biggest story of the year?

United Kingdom -- **The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has put the synod questionnaire online.** Find the link to online questionnaire at bottom of this news story.

USCCB: U.S. bishops will follow 'usual process' on synod document

Baker, Ore. -- **Oregon priest files Vatican appeal over dismissal as pastor**

Food stamp cuts to hit 2 million Illinois residents today

SNAP cuts could put pressure on local food banks

Pope Francis says *Mass ad orientem* -- shock horror! **Liberals will be shaking in their clown shoes** -- Read the comments at the blog, The New Liturgical Movement (which is really the old liturgical movement): **There isn't a free-standing altar in the chapel, so you can't really celebrate there any other way.**

Dominican Republic -- **Prosecutors seek to extradite Polish Roman Catholic priest on child-abuse charges involving thousands of pornographic images.**

Former president of Ireland Mary McAleese **wants power sharing for women in the Catholic Church**

Manila, Philippines -- **Instead of amulets, wear sacred objects as protection against ?evil possession?,**

an official of the Catholic church has advised.

A Roman Catholic priest's sexual relationship with an adult parishioner he is advising on spiritual matters is -condemned by the church. **But is it a crime?** For the second time in six years, the Minnesota Supreme Court will address that question

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