

## Morning Briefing

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Cathleen Kaveny's [blog at dotCommonweal](#) [1] is among the best things I've read this week. It begins: "Over on the Deacon's Bench, Greg Kandra [develops a public relations strategy](#) [2] on how to fire a pregnant unwed teacher at a Catholic school in a kindler, gentler way, so as to avoid bad publicity for the Catholic church. [I have another suggestion: you could just NOT fire her.](#) [1]"

Thiruvananthapuram, India -- [Catholic protest helps Kerala object to costal regulations](#) [3]

[New Spanish cardinal to be probed for 'anti-gay' incitement](#) [4]

Conservative House Republicans say: [No immigration reform in 2014](#) [5]

[Vatican investigates Chilean bishop for sex abuse](#) [6]. A statement released by Chile's Catholic church leadership said San Felipe bishop Cristian Contreras had "expressed the wish" for the allegations against him to be investigated.

Commentary: [Pope Francis must finally root out child abuse](#) [7] by Mary Dispenza

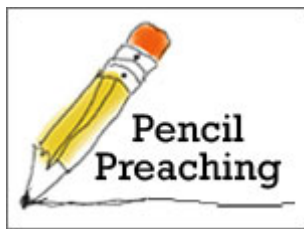
[Scotland passes same-sex marriage law, with opt-in for religious groups](#) [8]

[Dominican Fr. Timothy Radcliffe \(narrowly\) escapes angry mob in Algeria.](#) [9]

[Conservative Catholic groups expressed outrage Wednesday over a U.N. panel's scathing report on the Vatican's sex abuse scandal.](#) [10]

[Woman behind 'Philomena' meets Pope Francis](#) [11]

[Japanese samurai put forward for beatification](#) [12]



[13] Looking for an a little inspiration to begin 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 in which *Celebration* editor Pat Marrin combines Scripture and sketching to reflect on the Word.



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**Daily Bread** [14] 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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