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Does Christianity really prefer charity to government welfare? [1]

Pope says married men could be ordained priests if world's bishops agree on it [2]

Newark, N.J. -- **Archbishop Myers receives 22K signatures calling for sale of his retirement home** [3]

Camden, N.J. -- **Critics assail Bishop Dennis Sullivan?s spending $500,000 for a Woodbury estate, a 20-room manor** [4].

The Hague, Netherlands -- **Catholic diocese says bishop who died last year committed sexual abuse decades ago** [5]

Overland Park, Kan. -- **Man with history of anti-Semitism jailed in fatal shooting of three at metro Kansas City Jewish centers** [6]

Bush's theological-political vision lies in tatters. But many on the right are unable to understand why. **Catholicism, George W. Bush, and the cluelessness of the religious right** [7]

'60 Minutes' on the pope: **Pope Francis' first year filled with surprises** [8]

Cincinnati -- A federal judge to rule today in the case of **four same-sex couples who want to get their names on their children's birth certificates.** [9]

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Springfield, Mo. -- Faith-based community organizers (with cooperation of Catholic bishop) to press **the Missouri Legislature on early voting, Medicaid expansion, poverty and living wages** [11].

Springfield, Ill. -- **Local woman to be ordained as a priest for Roman Catholic Womenpriests May 3** [12]

Historians, engineers and linguists have pored over a 3-inch piece of papyrus that makes mention of Jesus's wife. What does this discovery actually mean? **The 'Gospel of Jesus's Wife' Is Real** [13] -- What now?

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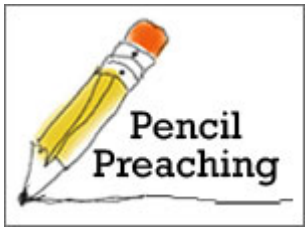

[18]Looking for a little inspiration to begin your day? *NCR*'s sister publication, *Celebration*, gives you two options, both based on the Scripture readings of the day:

Pencil Preaching [18] is a blog in which *Celebration* editor Pat Marrin combines Scripture and sketching to reflect on the Word.

Daily Bread [19] 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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