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NCR's 5th Annual Webathon: **Day Three: Let's keep the webathon rolling** [1]. Your $50 or $100 could become $100 or $200 if you **act now. Make a donation.** [2]

Vatican City -- **Cardinal Bertone defends new apartment, claims papal approval** [3]

Australia's Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse:

- **Royal Commission launching national public awareness campaign** [4] calling for survivors of child sexual abuse to come forward to share their stories
- Testimony: **Christian Brothers schools in Western Australia** [5]

Washington, D.C. -- **Archbishop Donald Wuerl is a power player under Pope Francis** [6]

Bend, Ore. -- **Bishop encourages Oregon priest to return to Roman Catholic Church** [7]

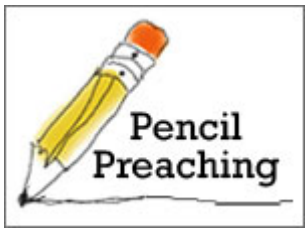
Commentary: **Donald T. Sterling is No Aberration** [8] by Earl Ofari Hutchinson

Press Release: **Bishops, Policy Specialists, Other Catholic Leaders Convene Renewed Effort on Nuclear Disarmament at Stanford University** [9] -- An off-the-record event brought together 40 bishops, policy specialists, Catholic scholars, and young professionals and students to explore policy and moral challenges involved in moving toward a world without nuclear weapons.

Chicago -- **Who will lead Chicago's Catholics?** [10] As Cardinal Francis George prepares to step down, faithful ponder his successor

Dismantling the machinery of death: **How America can -- and will -- abolish the death penalty** [11]

In explicitly prizing human beings over markets, Francis has confirmed he is a far cry from the Reaganist Pope John Paul II he just canonized: **Inequality is the root of social evil, Pope Francis has tweeted** [12]



[13]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 [13] is a blog in which *Celebration* editor Pat Marrin combines Scripture and sketching to reflect on the Word.

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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