

## Morning Briefing

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Just one theme in today's Morning Briefing: Sex Abuse of Minors in the Catholic Church

Analysis: [Will the Vatican step up and hold bishops accountable?](#) [1] by Jason Berry

NCR Editorial: [Francis' words on sex abuse bolster hope for action](#) [2]

New Hampshire Editorial: [Crucial moment for Pope Francis to undo wrongs on clergy sex abuse](#) [3]

Kansas City, Mo. -- [Insurance Company Files Suit Against Catholic Diocese](#) [4]

Chicago -- Federal appeals court judges questioned the bankrupt Archdiocese of Milwaukee's [claim that it needs all the money in a \\$55 million trust fund to maintain its cemeteries](#) [5] and asked whether some could be used to compensate victims of clergy sexual abuse without violating the Catholic faith.

Trenton, N.J. -- [Catholic diocese claims priest was 'off duty' when he molested boy as they attempt to deflect responsibility for sex crimes](#) [6]

Maitland-Newcastle, Australia -- A special commission of inquiry releases report on child sex abuse in the Catholic church: [Appalling story of tragic events](#) [7]

Maitland-Newcastle, Australia -- Bishop Bill Wright says [the report by Commissioner Margaret Cunneen as a great service for the diocese, the whole community "and in some measure, for Australia."](#) [8]

Maitland-Newcastle, Australia -- Ex-bishop Michael Malone says he is ["disappointed that the commission has chosen to interpret some matters differently from myself."](#) [9]

Have you been reading NCR's new website devoted to covering the mission and ministry of Catholic women

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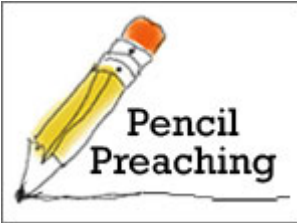
religious? Check it (daily) at

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[Global Sisters Report](#)

[10]. Here's a great example of the work of GSR: [Climate change in Vietnam: Nuns volunteer to help people adapt](#) [11] by Joachim Pham

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[12] 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** [12] is a blog in which *Celebration* editor Pat Marrin combines Scripture and sketching to reflect on the Word.



**Daily Bread** [13] 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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