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Bridgeport, Conn. -- **Bishop starts yearlong examination of the diocese.** Bishop Caggiano of Bridgeport was the subject of an NCR cover story recently: **New Bridgeport bishop reaches out through simplicity, dialogue**

Australia -- **Catholic bishop on sex charge** Alleged abuse of minor took place in 1969, when Bishop Max Davis was in his early 20s and two years before his priesthood ordination. Davis denies the charge, says he will fight it.

Second priest charged in a week: **Priest Faces Abuse Charges in Northern Mexico**

Enugu, Nigeria -- In wake of Boko Haram fears, Catholic diocese tightens security at services: **Church Bans Women From Carrying Handbags to Mass**

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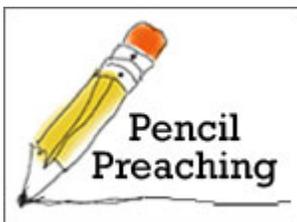
Maynooth, Ireland -- **New initiative to encourage young people to take part in church music**

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