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Jerusalem -- Monday's ceremony marking the relocation of the US Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem will break with tradition in more ways than one.

- Controversial US pastors to take part in embassy opening in Jerusalem
- <u>Israelis kill dozens of Palestinians in Gaza protesting U.S. Embassy</u> move to Jerusalem
- If There's a Trump Israeli-Palestinian Peace Plan, Netanyahu Says He Hasn't Seen It

Rome — Two influential Vatican offices are set to release a new joint document evaluating the morality of the global market system, in what appears to be an effort to give more theological weight to Pope Francis' frequent criticism that "this economy kills."

Postville, Iowa - Postville faith leaders, immigrants look back on 10 years since raid On May 12, 2008, local police and federal immigration agents arrested 400 people at a meat-processing plant — a raid that disrupted hundreds of lives and changed this Iowa town. Ten years later, more than 300 people gathered at St. Bridget Church to mark the anniversary of the raid and to dedicate themselves to

enacting change so similar raids do not happen again.

Amid Haiti's challenges, congregation continues serving those living in poverty Little Sisters of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus work in the areas of health, agriculture and education, serving those who live in rural Haiti.

Sr. Francis Rose Rivers, a School Sister of Notre Dame, worked as a chaplain from 2003-2012 at a Tyson chicken plant in Monett, Missouri. They called her The 'chicken chaplain'

Chicago -- A former Lithuanian judge and parliamentarian jailed in Chicago at her homeland's request fears death if she's extradited because, she says, she helped expose a network of influential pedophiles in the country. <u>Lithuanian claims</u>
pedophile ring in extradition
And here's more on this story: She was a suburban florist. Now she's in custody, fighting extradition on overseas charges she says are false.

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Oklahoma, Kansas pass legislation allowing religious veto on LGBT adoptions The legislation allows faith-based adoption agencies to not place children in homes with LGBT parents. Supporters say the measures protect religious freedoms, while opponents see them as discriminatory

An investigation by an Australian TV news program suggests the pilot of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370, which disappeared with 239 people aboard more than four years ago, deliberately crashed into the Indian Ocean.

Volcano's lava flow displaces members of Hawaii parish Local Catholic service agencies are working with victims, coordinating aid efforts, and collecting and distributing funds.

In appreciation: Davida Coady, activist and doctor, 'embodied Jesus' love and outreach'

Have you been inspired by Pope Francis' exhortation <u>Gaudete et Exsultate</u> ("Rejoice and Be Glad") to join <u>the journey of 'small holiness'</u>, NCR and Celebration have the resources to help:

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- Or reflect on **Pencil Preaching by Pat Marrin**. Every morning Pat Marrin breaks open the Word with a pencil sketch and a short meditation.