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[With Tagle to Rome, Francis signals more changes to come in Vatican posts](#)

: Pope Francis is filling a high-level Vatican post with a known friend and supporter of his reform agenda. As Joshua J. McElwee reports, the appointment "may mark a possible new phase in the pontiff's nearly seven-year papacy."

According to Jonathan Luxmoore, "German Catholics insisted their national 'synodal way' reform consultation will have an impact on the church worldwide, as final preparations were completed for the consultation's first plenary in January":

[German Catholics complete final preparations for 'synodal way'.](#)

[Spanish Jesuit, linguist once expelled by dictator, dies in Paraguay:](#)

Jesuit Fr. Bartomeu Melia defended indigenous peoples and their language; he devoted years to studying Paraguay's Guarani people.

Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi fielded a reporter's question about whether or not she hated President Donald Trump. [Cecilia González-Andrieu](#) responded to Pelosi's comments; now Jesuit Fr. Thomas Reese weighs in, writing that "Pelosi's

response was founded on Catholic theology and the Gospels": [Why Nancy Pelosi doesn't hate the president and prays for him instead.](#)

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