Monday digest

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## New today from the Century:

- Ann Duncan and Andy Langford on the Hunger Games trilogy (spoiler alert):
  "While Suzanne Collins's trilogy does not have overt Christian themes, it does offer a social vision familiar to Christians." (subscription required)
- Carol Howard Merritt on a formative faith moment in her childhood: "My mother paces the kitchen. Instead of grabbing the phone again, she picks up a basin and our plushest guest towels."
- Dean Lueking blogs the lectionary
- Lois Huey-Heck on a pre-Hispanic calendar in Mexico (subscription required)

## In the news:

- Vatican pulls support for seminarians' soccer league
- Crystal Cathedral downfall offers cautionary tale
- As Rowan Williams retires, speculation turns to successor
- Evangelicals voting in record numbers in GOP primaries
- White House proposal gives religious groups more say in birth control mandate
- Bishops 'dubious' on White House contraception compromise
- Norway's state church headed toward dis-establishment
- Egyptian Christians mourn death of Coptic Pope Shenouda III