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News:

A group dedicated to defending church teaching on marriage at Georgetown University has been <u>accused of being a "hate group"</u> and faces possible banning and defunding.

Indigenous activists that have been leading nonviolent campaigns against fracking in southern Mexico will be honored by Pax Christi International at a ceremony in Rome this weekend.

As <u>Kenya prepares for a historic repeat presidential election</u> this week, sisters are playing a significant role as poll observers and voter educators.

President Trump attended the <u>swearing in of Callista Gingrich as U.S. ambassador to</u> <u>the Holy See</u> in the White House yesterday.

A <u>new book brings together hundreds of diplomatic positions from the Vatican's longest-serving ambassador to the U.N</u>., revealing development of the church's social teaching since the onset of the new millennium.

A <u>website</u> is crowdsourcing a rating system on how open various churches are to LGBT people and issues. No Catholic parishes have been ranked yet.

A <u>new generation of labor priests and bishops</u>, inspired by Pope Francis, are trying to reconnect the church and unions.

While actor Mark Wahlberg was in Chicago for an <u>event with young adult Catholics</u> last weekend, he jokingly said he should <u>ask God's forgiveness for playing</u> pornographer Dirk Diggler in the movie "Boogie Nights."

Stay on top of justice news with NCR's latest "Justice Action Bulletin."

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It's "Shark Week" at the Daily Theology blog, with a week's worth of reflections on faith and racial injustice, such as this one on <u>author Ta-Nehisi Coates and hope</u> and another on "Why I got off Facebook after Charlottesville."

Two suburban Catholic high schools cancelled football games at a school in a crimeridden neighborhood in Chicago. This <u>Chicago Tribune editorial quotes St. Francis of</u> <u>Assisi in</u> urging schools to get past their fear and do the right thing.

As the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation approaches, <u>a Catholic and Protestant theologian debate whether the Reformation was a mistake or not</u>. Also, NCR columnist Bill Tammeus reviews a book on <u>what Protestantism offers to the Global South</u>.

The <u>unprecedented rebuke of Cardinal Sarah by Pope Francis</u> sends a broader message that insubordination will not be tolerated at the curia any longer, says Michael Sean Winters.

Remembering <u>five Adorers of the Blood of Christ sisters killed in the Liberian civil</u> war 25 years ago.

ICYMI: Last Friday's NCR in Conversation podcast featured a discussion about gender, sexuality and the church with NCR books editor Jamie Manson, feminist theologian Mary Hunt, and Dignity USA executive director Marianne Duddy-Burke.

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