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A vowed religious commits a crime, gets caught and brings scandal back upon their order or community. At Global Sisters Report, Dan Stockman investigates what happens after the transgression is revealed. In the aftermath of the headlines, what happens next? How does a community start to heal?

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Michael Sean Winters concludes his review of Jesuit Fr. John O'Malley's book *Vatican I: The Council and the Making of the Ultramontane Church*. Winters is careful not to spoil the heart of the book. What he does say: "O'Malley offers a thoughtful and comprehensive treatment of the various events and personalities that shaped the clamor which would lead to the definition of papal infallibility at the First Vatican Council."

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"The body of Christ has been gravely wounded." That's the start of a new report that identifies the Catholic Church's "twin crises" as "the crisis of sexual abuse" and "the crisis of leadership failures that covered up the abuse." In case you missed it last Friday, Brian Roewe reports on recommendations that offer a way forward for the

church.

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Ash Wednesday is this week. Get a head start on Lent with Daily Lenten Reflections, a new series for NCRonline.org. Check back every weekday for a new reflection.

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Tedious Meetings. Thousands of miles of travel. Eating unusual food on the go. This is the "holy work" that Judith Best faces. So it's no wonder that she writes about "the role of leadership in a time of creative chaos" through the lens of Dante's *Purgatorio*, in her latest GSR column.

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