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**New decision could impact family-based asylum claims:** "An assault on the asylum system" by the Trump Administration. That's how the Catholic Legal Immigration Network described U.S. Attorney General William Barr's ruling that "most nuclear families are not inherently socially distinct," with regard to being a "particular social group" and therefore qualifying for asylum.

ICYMI, from national correspondent Heidi Schlumpf: **Four New England states launch third-party reporting system for bishops**

**Young intentional community is 'promise of Vatican II' realized:** "We are not here to have an experience of religious life, the way the Nones and Nuns are," says Karen Gargamelli in Part 2 of Jamie Manson's two-part series on Benincasa Community in New York City. "We really want to make a longterm commitment, give our whole lives to ministry, and live out religious life the ways the sisters have for centuries, though in a new form."

Speaking of Vatican II, **Michael Sean Winters writes that** Jesuit Fr. Jared Wicks' new book "adds hugely to our awareness of what actually transpired at the council, why its significance is so great — and so complicated — and why none should be surprised that we, as a church, are still in the process of receiving its teachings."

**Your thoughts on the real presence:** Do Catholics "actually" believe in the Real Presence? NCR readers respond.

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