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1. [Catholics in the Amazon await the synod's decisions](#)
2. [A gracious overnight with an indigenous Catholic family in the Amazon](#)

Columnist Phyllis Zagano has her take on what may come out of the synod: [Married priests and women deacons: It's about law, not doctrine](#)

Benedictine Sr. Joan Chittister is back on NCR, and she's angry! But don't worry, it's a productive emotion, a virtue, even. [See if you agree.](#)

[Sr. Draru Mary Cecilia](#) on educating sisters who are in Africa: "Societies expect much from sisters, so there is a need for sisters to become better educated and multi-skilled to be professionally prepared. For sisters, education is a means to improving their service, for improving the lives of people."

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