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**[Near the rumble of the 7 train, Queens parish and pastor endure the pandemic.](#)** "We got clobbered, a lot of deaths and illness," says Msgr. Raymond Roden, pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows Church in the Diocese of Brooklyn, New York. He is recovering from COVID-19 himself, but takes phone calls from frightened parishioners, many of whom are undocumented immigrants. NCR news editor Peter Feuerherd brings the story.

GSR's Chris Herlinger is also in hard-hit Queens, and shares some insights he got from a recent webinar with Mercy Sr. Maryanne Loughry on how to deal with the tension and anxiety of the pandemic: **[Feeling stressed and anxious? This sister psychologist has some tips for you.](#)**

**[On Earth Day's 50th anniversary, bees buzz with hope for California sisters](#)** at Mission San Jose. The work of beekeepers plays a small but important role in the fight against climate change, and these Dominicans are doing their part. And the bees do their part in making honey and being a natural example of community. "The more I learn, the more I think about how God made this so incredibly complex and beautiful," beekeeper Sr. Barbara Hagel tells GSR.

For other ways to mark the 50th anniversary of Earth Day this April 22, check out **[EarthBeat Weekly](#)**, where editor Bill Mitchell rounds up some of what people are saying and doing, and what you'll see in EarthBeat's coverage this week.

"Quick, take your camera over to the woods. Go. Now." Sr. Joan Sauro captured a heartening image when she ventured **[into the woods](#)**.

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