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— with workers paid fairly and sustainable practices in place. Member factories of Carolina Textile District have produced more than 400,000 units of personal protective equipment during the pandemic. The cooperative network, which has ties to the U.S. bishops' Catholic Campaign for Human Development, has been selling its masks through a collective buying opportunity for parishes and schools.

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with the help of religious sisters who run the African Forum for Catholic Social Teaching and the Counseling Services Unit. "Most of them are always hesitant at first to talk about their experiences, but with time, they open up and release it," one sister-psychologist told GSR. "Some usually cry throughout the entire counseling session, and I let them do it because it's their way of healing."

In case you missed it, check out the video of NCR's [Facebook Live on the 2020 Democratic National Convention](#). At the end of last week, NCR executive editor Heidi Schlumpf interviewed columnist Michael Sean Winters and national correspondent Christopher White about the 2020 Democratic National Convention.

After following the Democrats last week, Michael Sean Winters now turns his attention to the GOP. This week will be dictated by Donald Trump, and [**at the Republican convention, look for Trump to play the bully**](#), MSW predicts in his curtain-raiser analysis.

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