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North Koreans watch a news report of an intermediate-range ballistic missile launch on a big screen at Pyongyang station in Pyongyang, North Korea, Aug. 30. (CNS/Kyodo via Reuters)



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Catholic women's history in Catholic women's hands

And from Global Sisters Report:

South Sudan's religious renew their strength amid civil war

National Catholic Sisters Week expands to year-round outreach project

British PM May to outline new Brexit strategy in Florence speech today:

In Florence, PM May expected to bypass EU on Brexit and appeal to national leaders

PM May to fly Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson back early from US to discuss Brexit

EU's chief negotiator calls Brexit akin to 'painful, not pleasant, and costly' divorce

Johnson overshadows May at UN meeting in New York

Recovery begins after earthquake Mexico and hurricane in Puerto Rico:

Fears of building's collapse as rescuers race to reach girl trapped under rubble in Mexico

Mexico Searches for Earthquake Survivors Against Increasing Odds

Regular people turn anonymous heroes after Mexico earthquake

Hurricane Maria Strikes, and Puerto Rico Goes Dark

On The Ground In Puerto Rico

Maria took a Puerto Rican radio station's roof. But the hosts stayed on air anyway.

Trump at the UN as Russia investigation continues:

Trump shows 'America First' is utterly incoherent

North Korea: Trump's UN speech amounted to 'the sound of a dog barking'

Iran Leader Rips Trump Speech as 'Ignorant, Absurd and Hateful'

Mueller Seeks White House Documents Related to Trump's Actions as President

Mueller casts broad net in requesting extensive records from Trump White House

Exclusive: Russians Appear to Use Facebook to Push Trump Rallies in 17 US Cities

Parts far and wide:

French President Macron's arrogance problem

Teen Arrested Over London Tube Bombing

In a turbulent world, Germans set to reward Angela Merkel for country's stability

Catalan President blasts Madrid for 'illegal' referendum raids

Palestinians decry church patriarch's role in land deal

Filipino protesters slam martial law, killings under Duterte

South Korea approves \$8 million aid to North Korea, timing to be decided later

From Italy with love:

Ryanair cancellations raise worries in Italy over Alitalia takeover

Italy's center-right in search of a leader as election nears

Modern life in the ancient towns of Umbria, Italy's green heart

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