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People pray during Mass April 17, 2016, at Holy Redeemer Church in Detroit. The Mass was the site of a "Mass Mob" event, an evangelization effort aimed at boosting regular Mass attendance. (CNS/Jim West)



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May 23, 2018 Share on BlueskyShare on FacebookShare on TwitterEmail to a friendPrint The Diocese of Pittsburgh is <u>making a concerted effort to reach out</u> to "nones," those young adults who have no church affiliation. It comes in the context of a massive restructuring and consolidation of parishes in western Pennsylvania.

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We <u>recently posted an item</u> on schools in the Diocese of Rockford, Illinois, being closed. The diocesan newspaper <u>has a different angle</u> on why this is happening.

Parishes in the Diocese of San Diego respond to mental health issues.

A pastor recalls the impact of a <u>massive immigration raid</u> in his lowa town <u>10 years</u> <u>later</u>.

In Oklahoma, the <u>governor signs a bill</u> that extends "castle" defense protections to houses of worship.

"Mass mobs" <u>connect suburbanites with the historic parishes</u> of the city of Detroit. It's become a regular tradition.

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A parish in Orange County, California, provides the homeless who sleep in their cars <u>a safe parking area</u>. No good deed goes unpunished, as some neighbors object.

Officials in the Diocese of Fall River, Massachusetts, are <u>meeting with parishioners</u> to determine the future of parishes there. Bishop Edgar da Cunha is playing an active role. The meetings are being <u>held in English</u>, <u>Spanish and Portuguese</u>.

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