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#### [US-Mexico border sees surge in African migrants, who face limited options](#)

: Conflicts, European border enforcements and other factors are driving more Africans to the United States via Latin America. But advocates say that border authorities' crackdown on migrants are leaving African asylum-seekers stuck in limbo, with few options.

[US bishops are not really that interested in forming consciences](#): Michael Sean Winters notes problems with the U.S. bishops' text about forming consciences. He offers readers a list of documents with which to prepare themselves for the 2020 presidential election.

[District of Champions: The Nationals gave DC a much-needed win](#): Columnist Colman McCarthy writes, "Thanks to the potent sluggers and smoke ball pitchers on the Washington Nationals baseball team, D.C. is not the District of Columbia, but now the District of Champions." It was a win that the city desperately needed.

"In some parts of Ghana, children born with physical and mental disabilities, including hearing and visual impairment, are believed to be 'spirit children' and are considered bad omens for the family and society at large." In some cases, they are killed. Doreen Ajiambo at Global Sisters Report reports on how one sister has saved hundreds of children: [Ghana sister rescues disabled children viewed as bad](#)

## omens in their villages:

**Spiritual transformations in the middling years:** " 'Middling years' may be the typical midlife experience, but they could also be the middle period between one job and another, one stage of life and another, a major life event and the return to normalcy, a change in relationships, expectations and responsibilities."

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