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We have Bishop Robert McElroy today on voting with faith and a conscience: "It is primarily through the votes of Catholic women and men, rooted in conscience and in faith that the Church enters into the just ordering of society and the state." [Read more.](#)

The third in the commentary series, "Catholic Eye on Candidates" is from Judith Koll Healey, a Minneapolis-based author and consultant and the former executive director of the Joint Religious Legislative Coalition. For her, it's about integrity, standing for justice and being able to get the job done — not to mention Sen. Amy Klobuchar's record and alignment with Catholic social teaching values. Read: [A Catholic case for Amy Klobuchar.](#)

Friday is Horizons! GSR's feature weekly column by younger women religious never disappoints. Today, Sr. Julia Walsh writes that the "landscape of religious life is quaking. With every evolution of a tradition or new expression of a charism, the Spirit reminds us that our radical form of life is not about comfort and security." Read about what [changes the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration have recently made](#) in their tradition.

The St. Vincent de Paul Children Rehabilitation Center, run by the Sisters of St. Vincent de Paul of Lendelede, often treats children who have been abandoned by their parents because of their disabilities. [Read about the children like Murenzi](#), who at 12 years old weighed only 52 pounds (24 kg) when he was brought from a remote rural village to a local hospital in Northern Rwanda specializing in the treatment of serious mental disorders.

Jocelyn Sideco, an NCR Young Voices columnist on the Super Bowl halftime show: "As a female minister of color whose faith in Jesus leads me to interact boldly with God's creation, why do I still feel a tiny ounce of shame for exposing my daughter to Shakira and Jennifer Lopez?" Read how: [Racist culture and purity politics get in the way of raising my child](#)

It's been a busy week in U.S. politics ... Iowa caucus, State of the Union address, Senate impeachment vote, and the National Prayer Breakfast, whew.

Here are some stories that intersect with faith:

- [From young evangelicals to National Prayer Breakfast: An urgent call on climate change](#)
- [Romney cites faith as inspiring his vote to convict Trump](#)
- [Breaking down Trump's religion-heavy State of the Union](#)

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