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**[The church after coronavirus: new understandings of social mission:](#)** In Part 3 of this week's series, NCR asks theologians, scholars and leaders about the pandemic's impact on the church's social mission. To quote Bishop Robert McElroy from the story, "Every single pattern of pastoral service, sacramental life and the proclamation of the Gospel has to be rethought and reconfigured in a radical manner."

**[Keeping up community: what sisters are doing amid COVID-19 lockdowns:](#)** Global Sisters Report published a sampling on "how some congregations are coping with COVID-19 and maintaining community in these times."

**[History warns us: Crises like COVID-19 can give rise to great evil:](#)** "As humankind faces this newest cataclysm, there are those who are hopeful that from the rubble, new commitments of solidarity will emerge." There will be some of that, Michael Sean Winters writes. Yet, he points to history that should put all of us on alert.

**[Humans are resilient, let us trust ourselves and each other:](#)** As Winters provides us with caution, clinical psychologist Eileen M. Russell offers some hope. If this past week — this past month — has you overwhelmed, this commentary is worth a read: "We are deeper than the current moment. We are more adaptive than we know ourselves to be."

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