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The Triduum is here. NCR is bringing you an audio-visual liturgical experience. Join Dan Schutte in a [virtual celebration of Holy Thursday](#) today. Let the music into your heart. Let the prayer seep into your soul.

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Look in on religious life: Some Catholic women religious from around the world shared with GSR how they are observing Holy Week in a time when mass gatherings are prohibited and social distancing is the new normal. [Read about their creativity here.](#)

Carmen Nanko-Fernández, one of NCR's Theology en la Plaza columnists, asks, "How do we shift to an understanding of isolation as an active, communal undertaking as opposed to a suffering passively endured by a solitary individual?" Read [In a pandemic, when every day feels like Good Friday.](#)

On Holy Thursday, we especially celebrate the institution of the Eucharist, the institution of the priesthood and the command to love, all first given at the Last Supper. Those of us who are serious about staying at home so as to do our part and not make things worse for those front-line workers, we are, as it were, washing their

feet with our obedience to the common good. [Read more from columnist Michael Sean Winters' own Triduum reflection here.](#)

Two related stories about immigration and coronavirus:

- [Pandemic exacerbates fear, challenges for undocumented immigrants](#)
- How do you have a protest during social distancing? Use your car! [Advocates urge federal authorities to release detained immigrants amid coronavirus spread](#)

Starting over? In case you missed this big news that broke yesterday in Rome: [Francis creates new women deacons commission, naming entirely different membership](#)

[Read Sr. Nancy Sylvester's latest Contemplate This column:](#) This pandemic is a moment when the "I" is becoming a "we." It is going to be painful and we will suffer. But how we understand and experience that suffering is critical to how we emerge from this.

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