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US bishops wrestle with whether or how to open churches: "Most faithful American Catholics are now in the midst of a post-Lenten and post-Easter eucharistic pandemic fast," news editor Peter Feuerherd writes, describing U.S. Catholics having to participate in Mass via computer and TV screens. Many dioceses continue to abstain from Mass gatherings. Yet there are outliers — in Las Cruces, New Mexico; Boone, North Carolina; and Helena, Montana.

With congregation-wide commitments, sisters are active in sustainable living: In this latest edition of The Life, sisters panelists respond to this query: Describe some ways your congregation is calling its members to sustainability in light of climate change.

Review: Cathleen Kaveny's book 'Ethics at the Edges of Law,' Part 2: Michael Sean Winters "would have trouble thinking of another contemporary scholar who is so completely versed in two distinct fields of study that a work like this can succeed as this book does succeed."

Cardinal Pell: A decision with little certainty: "George Pell is a cardinal in the Catholic Church. And that is where the problem lies," writes Gail Grossman Freyne in a commentary. "It lies as well in the institution. The two are inextricably intertwined so that the fate of one informs the other."

Psychologist Sr. Maryanne Loughry on coping with our collective grief: Chris

Herlinger reports on a webinar by trained psychologist Australian Mercy Sr. Maryanne Loughry, who spoke on dealing with grief, "personal and social (or collective) grief as well as 'anticipatory grief' — waiting for tragedy to unfold."

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