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Members of the predominantly Hispanic community of University Park see a "victory for community health" on the horizon in their efforts to shut down an oil drilling site. But they haven't been accompanied along the way by the Los Angeles Archdiocese, which owns and leases the land. EarthBeat has the story: [\*\*Landlord LA Archdiocese of little help in neighborhood's long fight to close toxic oil wells for good.\*\*](#)

[\*\*Catholic ministries step in as food insecurity skyrockets across US.\*\*](#) "The demand is in places it's never been before," says Michael Cunningham, director of the Mater Dolorosa retreat center in California. With retreats canceled, Mater Dolorosa is putting its commercial grade kitchen to use by providing food for the needy. Other groups are expanding their normal food pantry operations to meet the increased need.

Sr. Sandra Wiafewa Agyeman looks around and sees [\*\*tragedy and the lonely place of selfishness.\*\*](#) In the face of fear and profiteering, she wonders: How would Jesus have responded to this worldwide disaster?

[\*\*New Netflix documentary shows the sacramentality of same-sex relationships:\*\*](#) "A Secret Love" tells a decadeslong love story that stands in stark contrast to the latest news of an LGBTQ person being fired by church authorities. "What is Christlike about forcing employees to live in fear and loneliness and deny themselves the spiritual and legal benefits of marriage?" asks columnist Jamie Manson.

[\*\*Global Sisters Report has a Q & A with Sr. Rosemarie González,\*\*](#) sheltering those recovering from addiction. The School Sister of Notre Dame runs the 50-bed Home of the Good Shepherd in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

[\*\*US bishops' guidelines for reopening Mass: groups of 10, sanitizer during Communion\*\*](#) (but no gloves). These and numerous other details for holding Mass again during the pandemic are outlined in a memo from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Divine Worship.

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