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Feeling the same pressures felt by many private universities, [**Fordham endures disputes over faculty health care, unionizing**](#)

The Leadership Conference of Women Religious is meeting this week in Orlando. Global Sisters Report will be there: [**Sister leaders to connect contemplation with real world at 2017 LCWR assembly**](#)

[**Trump says his political base is 'stronger than ever' despite polling to the contrary**](#)

Is the Catholic Church drawing a line in the sand with the Trump administration? Is immigration and refugees the issue that will cause a split?

- [**Chicago to sue Trump administration over sanctuary city funding threat**](#)
- Newsweek asks, "Is the Catholic Church turning on Trump? [**U.S. bishops slam immigration proposals as 'discriminatory.'**](#)"

- Time says [President Trump's Evangelical Advisers Seek to Tamp Down Vatican Criticism](#)
- [Trump's travel ban keeps orphan kids from U.S. foster families](#)

The Philippines has seen a recent increase in reported and publicly known cases of Catholic clergy sexually abusing minors. This raises the question: [How do the Philippine Catholic bishops investigate clergy abuse?](#) Would you believe that they use a marriage tribunal?

Lay Catholics and women religious in India have been pushing their bishops for more transparency in abuse cases. Two recent NCR stories:

- From May 1 -- [Indian Catholics frustrated over clergy sex abuse cases](#)
- From July 10 -- [Secrecy over clergy abuse standards causes confusion in India](#)

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Michael Sean Winters says [No litmus test on abortion: a good sign for Democrats](#)

This is what NCR said in an editorial in April: [Abortion fundamentalism overwhelms Democrats](#)

Coadjutor bishop Michael Yeung Ming-cheung will become the new head of the Catholic diocese in Hong Kong after [Pope Francis approved the retirement of Cardinal John Tong Hon a day after he turned 78.](#)

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