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Worrisome News of the Day: The U.S. Air Force is preparing for nuclear armed B-52 bombers to be put back on 24-hour alert for the first time in 25 years as tensions rise between North Korea and President Donald Trump. **"This is yet one more step in ensuring that we're prepared,"** says General David Goldfein, Air Force chief of staff.

Most Interesting News of the Day: **Liturgical translations not to be 'imposed' from Vatican** Pope Francis corrects Cardinal Sarah.

In Case You Missed It (ICYMI): **Gregory Baum, influential theologian of Vatican II era, dies at 94**

Bong Sarmiento, the Philippines -- **Catholics in war-torn province join protests against the discrimination of Muslim women who wear the niqab.** Soldiers are reportedly forcing Muslim women to remove their niqab to check their identity.

Two environmental stories from Global Sisters Report:

- **Using solar energy in sub-Saharan Africa: If only progress moved faster**

- **Greening the motherhouse requires big investments and changing habits**

File this under "Undermining" and "Dismantling": **E.P.A. Cancels Talk on Climate Change by Agency Scientists**

McCain hits Trump where it hurts, attacking 'bone spur' deferments in Vietnam

Al Smith dinner rakes in $3.4M for New York Catholic charities House Speaker Paul Ryan drew about half the crowd as last year's dinner -- when then presidential candidates Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton were a huge draw -- but sponsorship was more abundant.

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The L.A. Times is closely following the sexual harrassment story in Hollywood. Some of their latest reporting:

- **38 women have come forward to accuse director James Toback of sexual harassment**
- **How Harvey Weinstein used his fashion business as a pipeline to models**
- **Bill O'Reilly reportedly paid $32-million harassment settlement before signing new Fox News contract**
- #metoo: **Everyone is outraged over sexual harassment, but will this moment bring real change?**
- **More about the #metoo movement**

Notes from the Field is a blog written by young people volunteering in ministries of Catholic sisters. Janie Rosko is a Humility of Mary volunteer serving with the Ursuline Ministries in Youngstown, Ohio. This is Janie's first blog post. **Working on being worthy to be considered role models**

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