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This stained-glass window at St. Aloysius Church in Great Neck, N.Y., depicts Jesus in a manger surrounded by Mary, Joseph and three shepherds. (CNS/Gregory A. Shemitz)

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Global Sisters Report international correspondent Chris Herlinger traveled to South Sudan earlier this year to report on the church's efforts to provide aid and minister to citizens in the war-torn country. Today on the show, he talks about reporting in difficult locations and how sisters and priests deal with trauma as they're ministering to people also processing traumatic experiences. Later, Young Voices columnist Mike Jordan Laskey talks about this year's short Advent calendar and how to make the most of this overlooked season of waiting and preparation.

Show Notes

- South Sudan's religious are serving in the midst of an ongoing humanitarian crisis and civil war. They know the need for quiet, solidarity and renewal.
- Q & A with Sr. Barbara Paleczny, helping South Sudanese overcome trauma
- In Wau, South Sudan, a cathedral compound shelters internally displaced persons.
- Chris shares his reporter's notebook from South Sudan, a place of extremes, adaptation and hope.
- Sisters practice a ministry of presence around the world: 'Accompaniment' spiritually underpins sisters' missions in Haiti
- A busy Catholic's guide to Advent: Mike Jordan Laskey shares 10 tips for observing the season.
- Looking for Scripture study, some meditative reflections or an inspiring read? Check out our Celebration of Advent page.

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