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Today NCR begins a series of stories to mark the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. with the story of Franciscan Fr. Nathaniel Machesky: **Friar helped channel rage into successful boycott**

NCR Editorial: **John Bolton in the White House is scary indeed**

Trump's two newest high-level appointees have some extremely troubling friends. How John Bolton and Mike Pompeo mainstreamed Islamophobia.

Forty-eight days since the shooting at a Parkland, Florida, high school.

- **After Gun Control Marches, "It'll Go Away" vs. "We Are Not Cynical Yet"**
- **Catholic students 'ignited' to help organize local March for Our Lives**

The pope is to visit Ireland in August for the World Meetings of Families. The Irish government will tell the Vatican **that families "of all shapes and forms" should be celebrated during Pope Francis' Irish visit**. Other points of interest: the Irish government says it would be appropriate for the pope to visit abuse survivors in Ireland. While Francis' visit is not a state visit, it will be treated as such in terms of security measures and cost.

Plans for the World Meeting of Families have had a few hiccups. **World Meeting of Families reissues resource booklet without images in first edition** Activists call to restore imagery of same-sex couples to booklet

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At Georgetown Visitation, the sisters have purposefully created programs that will introduce the Salesian charism to new generations of students **Steeped in Salesian tradition, DC girls school adapts to the times**

The movement for women's equality in the church cannot be stopped say Marianne Duddy-Burke, Kate McElwee and Mary E. Hunt

Prayer resources from Celebration, National Catholic Reporter and Global Sisters Report continue through the Easter season. **For Scripture commentaries, articles, art and graphics visit all the resources on the Celebration page.**

NCR and its sister publications offer quite a few resources for the Easter season. For all the liturgical seasons, as a matter of fact.

- Start your day inspired with daily Scripture reflections. Join NCR's sister publication, Celebration, for **Daily Bread**, a series of short reflections written by four authors who meet regularly to share the readings.
- Or reflect on **Pencil Preaching by Pat Marrin**. Every morning Pat Marrin breaks open the Word with a pencil sketch and a short meditation.