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Looking for ways to help North Carolina recover from Hurricane Florence? The Diocese of Raliegh has suggestions for **volunteer opportunties and ways to donate.**

20 of 39 Dutch cardinals, bishops and auxiliaries "covered up sexual abuse, allowing perpetrators to cause many more victims," report says. **Dutch Catholic church accused of widespread sexual abuse cover-up**

Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry pledged last week to help root out sex abuse by Catholic clergy wherever it appears. **What can Louisiana AG Landry do about statewide clergy abuse?** Experts, advocates weigh in

The evil of clericalism by Nicole Trahan, a member of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate (Marianist Sisters).

Fr. Tom Reese says: **Pressing pope to accept his resignation, Cardinal Wuerl does the right thing**

Looking for coverage of V Encuentro (The four-year nationwide consultation with the Hispanic Catholic community)? Stay with NCR. Here's a couple of pieces to introduce

you to the topic:

- **V Encuentro to be an 'expression of community'**
- On "NCR in Conversation," the NCR podcast, Soli Salgado, staff writer for Global Sisters Report who covers issues related to Hispanic communities and social justice, talks about **Hispanic Catholics to gather at V Encuentro**
- Read all of NCR's coverage of this issue at **La Iglesia Hispana.**

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.

Pope Francis' exhortation **Gaudete et Exsultate ("Rejoice and Be Glad")** has inspired many. NCR and Celebration have the resources to help you on your **journey of 'small holiness'**.

Did you know that a person can't join a religious order if she has student debt? **Organizations take on new ways to erase student loan debt for women religious**

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Sr. Prasanna Devi lived as a Catholic hermit deep inside a forest in western India for 40 years. She returned to live in human society four years ago, at the request of the local bishop. Now she is **helping Hindus understand Jesus' Gospel**

Global Sisters Report began reporting this story back in July: **Religious demand removal of Indian bishop accused of raping nun.** Today we learn that the **Jalandhar bishop has offered to "step aside temporarily."** The bishop has written "a letter to Holy Father Pope Francis expressing his desire to step aside temporarily and requested to be relieved from the administration of the diocese," the Jalandhar diocese said in a release.

Meanwhile, UCA News is reporting that **A campaign to reform laws governing church property and finances has gained momentum in India's southern**

Kerala state, where a rape case against a bishop has created a furore.

The Catholic Diocese of Kalamazoo, Michigan, **plans to establish a "Consultative Body of Lay Experts" and** to create a code of conduct for all clergy and lay leaders in the church.

Redwood City, California -- A proposed merger between Dignity Health and Catholic Health Initiatives has raised concerns about job security for nurses and access to health care. **Hospital merger triggers concerns**

Two weekends after its releaed, "The Nun," a horror film in the Conjuring film series, has toped $200 million in global box office sales. IF you missed it, read Sr. Rose Pacatte's reveiw f the film, **One nun's take on horror film 'The Nun'**