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A man holds a child during Mass celebrated in February 2018 at Transfiguration Church in New York City. (CNS/Gregory A. Shemitz)



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