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Latin America is a land of great inequality. In São Paulo, Brazil, there are an estimated 25,000 people who are homeless. The pandemic is only making things worse for people who work in informal economies or who have been relying on centers that are now closed to practice social distancing. Catholics, of course, are stepping up. Our reporter in Brazil talked to a number of religious in the region to see what they were doing. Read more.

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