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We have heard from a few of our bishops about the need to end racism, and for police violence against Black men to stop. But for the most part, prudence, not prophecy, has seized the episcopate. Read: Our Romero moment: Time for US bishops to stand up against racism by Ed Griffin-Nolan.

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From the wires:

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