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## Women make star turns this morning at African Synod

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†The Synod for Africa is primarily a gathering of bishops, so it's only natural that in its early days, male voices have dominated the discussion. Friday morning, however, a handful of women finally had their turn at the microphone ? and by all accounts, they certainly made the most of it.

†Although at the time of this posting, the Vatican had not yet released summaries of the morning's speeches, synod participants told *NCR* that the women made star turns, earning strong rounds of applause from the roughly 300 bishops, members of religious congregations, lay experts and other listeners inside the synod hall.

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