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The March of Life is today. [\*\*Trump, Unlikely Champion Of Anti-Abortion Rights Movement, To Address March For Life\*\*](#)

Take a listen to this: NPR's Rachel Martin talks to Kristan Hawkins, president of the anti-abortion group Students for Life America, [\*\*about what she wants to hear from President Trump when he addresses the March for Life rally Friday.\*\*](#) Hawkins talks about her Catholic faith as motivation for pro-life work.

This weekend makes one year since President Donald Trump was sworn into office: [\*\*New poll shows Trump with historically low approval rating\*\*](#)

Read NCR's retrospective of the president's first year: [\*\*A Nation Under Trump\*\*](#)

These were the three most-read stories on the NCR website yesterday:

- [\*\*Chittister calls for formal censure of President Trump\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Francis defends Chilean bishop accused of abuse cover-up\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Francis asks Chile to protect migrants, 'icon of the Holy Family'\*\*](#)

Pope Francis has left Chile and is now in Peru. NCR Vatican correspondent Joshua McElwee is with him. [\*\*Read all of NCR coverage here.\*\*](#)

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Have you heard people talking about "chain-migration"? Here is a simple, easy to follow explanation: [\*\*'Chain migration' misrepresents reality, say Catholic advocates\*\*](#). Share it with your friends (and maybe an elected official or two).

You can share this NCR editorial as well: [\*\*Stop mass deportations now\*\*](#)

Why share this editorial? A bitterly divided Congress [\*\*hurtled toward a government shutdown this weekend\*\*](#) in a partisan stare-down over demands by Democrats for a solution on politically fraught legislation to protect about 700,000 younger immigrants from being deported.

And there is this: [\*\*Justice Department Asks Supreme Court to Reverse Court Ruling Protecting DREAMers\*\*](#)

"[The Catholic] understanding of migration is rooted in need, not merit."

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Celebrity chef John Besh's role in his restaurant group [\*\*remains uncertain, New York Times reports.\*\*](#) NCR reported on this story a couple months ago. Besh had ties with Catholic celebrity chef Fr. Leo Patalinghug, the University of Notre Dame and the New Orleans Archdiocese. [\*\*Chef's Catholic connections in spotlight after sexual harassment allegations\*\*](#)

[\*\*Sexual harassment and assault rife at United Nations, staff claim\*\*](#)

Not sure what the significance is, but this bears studying, I'd say: [\*\*They're Waiting Longer, but U.S. Women Today More Likely to Have Children Than a Decade Ago\*\*](#). More than half of never-married women in their early 40s have given birth.

This is really a most interesting report about consecrated women religious living in the Holy Land: [\*\*Holy Land's religious talk openly on hierarchy, charism at encounter events\*\*](#)

Q & A with Sr. Donna Liette, [\*\*part of a Chicago reconciliation ministry\*\*](#)

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