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[How much corruption can we tolerate in the church before we leave?](#) Fr. Donald Cozzens read James Carroll's lengthy lament in The Atlantic on the corruption in the Catholic Church and its priestly caste. He and Carroll "are friends who view the dark side of the church and priesthood through the same lens."

NCR's Executive Editor Tom Roberts writes about a Catholic initiative in California that points to new ways of engaging with worrisome cultural trends. His latest Connections column: [New ways of being church, in the public square and in the chanceries](#)

[Sr. Simone Campbell has advice for the "religious left"](#) — for example, she said some Democrats are "nervous" about religion because they associate it with conservatism.

Read a compelling [Q & A with Sr. Hellen Lamunu](#), project coordinator of Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate Centre for Disadvantaged Children in Gulu, Uganda. The center provides shelter, schooling and vocational training for vulnerable children and young people, where the Lord's Resistance Army has destroyed lives for generations. She

says, "I've seen and experienced the power of forgiveness. In my own experience, I've forgiven those who abducted me. If I could not forgive them, I would not work with the soldiers like I do now."

[A look into a recent jubilee celebration](#) full of emotional chords: cheering, weeping and trembling. Sr. Joan Sauro says her sisters "touched eternity."

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