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Editorial: Our children are dying at the border. Bishops, where are you? The photo shows the bodies of drowned Salvadoran father Óscar Alberto Martínez Ramírez and his nearly 2-year-old daughter Valeria. This image was finally enough to compel an impassioned plea from the U.S. bishops' conference.

This Fourth, may American optimism and Christian hope prevail: "Optimism breeds generosity and imagination and our nation could use a shot of both," writes Michael Sean Winters. Cosign.

This week's parish roundup by Dan Morris-Young includes [an anonymous reflection](#) published by the Albany, New York, Diocese, that shares what it feels like to live with depression. It's a valuable read. Some imperatives worth repeating: "Be courageous. Know that you are not broken. Seek the help you need and if you think for a moment that someone you love is suffering from depression, talk to them about it."

Michael Smith calls Mario T. Garcia's *Father Luis Olivares, A Biography* "a well-researched account of the life of a man who grew to an awakening, who witnessed the terrible reality of the times and acted according to the Gospel": **Author says he wrote Fr. Luis Olivares' biography to give Chicano students a hero.**

At Global Sisters Report, Franciscan Sr. Ilia Delio wonders: What does a "religious solution" to the environmental problem look like in a church that seems to

be riddled with dysfunction?

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