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Path to priesthood leads Ohio woman to create community at Hildegard Haus: Shanon Sterringer began decades of ministry at Fairport Harbor's Catholic parish St. Anthony of Padua as sacristan at age 25. As Don Clemmer reports, Sterringer "extended the reach of her duties over 22 years at St. Anthony by pursuing various degrees and certifications. She recognizes now that she felt a call to ordination from the beginning and was 'trying to do everything I was allowed to do and hoping that would fulfill my call.' "

And on the subject of vocations, Quincy Howard, Dominican Sister of Sinsinawa, Wisconsin, asks: How does one choose to commit for life in the midst of epic uncertainty? How might the current crisis be a catalyst to push that evolution forward, opening hearts and minds to new possibilities? Religious vows offer wisdom as we experience this epic uncertainty.

"There's not to be a discussion. No conversation. It's just that you're gone. It was hurtful. It was unexpected": **Detroit Archdiocese expels support group for families of LGBT Catholics**.

Dan Schutte, composer and NCR board member, has created a nine-day Novena for Pentecost resource. Day seven <u>is available here</u>, and you can access <u>the entire</u> Novena for Pentecost here.

COVID-19 virus puts a spotlight on inequality and racism: "While the coronavirus is an equal opportunity killer, the poor and people of color are disproportionately suffering and dying from COVID-19," writes Jesuit Fr. Thomas Reese. "These communities were least prepared to respond to the virus for reasons rooted in racism and inequality."

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