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Parishioners 'show up' for racial justice work: Sophie Vodvarka reports on how Catholics across the country, from places like Louisville, Kentucky, Pasadena, California, and Chicago, "have responded to the moral call to stand against police brutality experienced by BIPOC (Black, Indigenous or people of color) by showing up, educating themselves and engaging in deep conversations about white supremacy."

The Elizabeth Warren economic hymnal is in Biden's pew: Michael Sean Winters slept better after Joe Biden's economic speech in Scranton, Pennsylvania: "The fact that he consulted [Elizabeth] Warren, listened to her, adopted some of her ideas and gave her credit may or may not indicate that he is considering naming her as his running mate. It could be a trial balloon. But, either way, it shows that Warren has become the policy oracle and engine for the entire Democratic Party, and that not only increases Biden's chances of winning, it vastly improves his chances at successful governing."

Will the church use paycheck protection money as it should? Christine Schenk's latest column takes her out of her comfort zone, but she does so to talk about what she sees as a misrepresentation of the Catholic Church in the recent widely shared Associated Press article. "The Catholic Church should not be vilified for accessing a greatly needed government program that protects its employees," she writes. Yet there's a tricky part.

Exclusive: Dolan sends book on 'The Next Pope' to cardinals around the

world: Four cardinals, on condition of anonymity, confirmed to NCR that New York Cardinal Timothy Dolan forwarded each of them a copy of George Weigel's book about the necessary qualities for a future pope, along with an accompanying note. Vatican correspondent and international news editor Joshua J. McElwee reported this exclusive yesterday about "an apparent break with the longstanding practice that the Catholic Church's highest prelates refrain from publicly lobbying for possible candidates for the papacy."

New book on truth is excellent resource during coronavirus pandemic: Sr. Rose Pacatte highly recommends Ann Garrido's *Let's Talk About Truth.* She writes, "Anyone who wants clarity in their own minds about the tangled questions involving truth, or some guidance in facilitating truth-tangled conversations with others, will benefit greatly from this book."

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