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an interview Oct. 27, San Diego Bishop Robert McElroy tells NCR that he supports allowing women to serve as deacons.

Jesuit Fr. Thomas Reese weighs in on the synod recommendations for Pope Francis:

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Marianne Duddy-Burke, executive director of DignityUSA, laments the "alarming increase in the firing or intimidation of people married to same-gender partners who are employed by Catholic educational, health care, and social service institutions." In her commentary, she calls attention to a recent news story out of Indianapolis, which "takes us into frightening new territory."

What would Jesus say about asylum seekers who were sent back to Juárez? Read the latest edition of NCR's Soul Seeing column: [Lazarus at our gate](#).

#### [Review on abuse looks at 70 years' worth of Colorado dioceses' files:](#) Julie

Asher reports, "A final report on the findings of an independent review of clergy abuse cases in Colorado's three Catholic dioceses from 1950 to 2019 shows that 166

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