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The church in Poland recently proposed beatification for 16 members of the Sisters of the Congregation of St. Catherine the Virgin and Martyr. Their deaths at the hands of Soviet soldiers in 1945 are among many untold stories from behind the Iron Curtain, and now [30 years after Berlin Wall fell, Catholics seek to recognize heroic Eastern European sisters](#). "Despite all the changes worldwide, we're only beginning to hear about their communist-era struggles," says one Polish expert.

[At a table with other sinners, the Eucharist unites](#) — although that unity is often a struggle, writes Sr. Julia Walsh. As an example: the news that a South Carolina priest refused Communion to Catholic candidate Joe Biden. (An incident that readers had lots of opinions about, and Letters to the Editor rounds up [your thoughts on denying the Eucharist](#).)

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