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Triage and ventilator rationing not the only ethical issues in pandemic, bioethicists say: "What used to be theoretical, textbook exercises have become real-life dilemmas for overburdened or soon-to-be-overburdened health care systems," writes national correspondent Heidi Schlumpf. "Catholic bioethicists say clinical triage decisions, while important, are only part of a number of broader ethical concerns, including preventative strategies such as paid sick leave, truthful communication from political leaders and assistance with payment for testing and treatment."

The empty tomb is our reason for existence: Holy Week arrives with Catholics in lockdown, facing an absence of public gatherings. Executive editor Tom Roberts guides readers to our latest news, columns and even a virtual presentation of Triduum observations, and notes upcoming website content for the days ahead.

In case you missed it: <u>Video: Reporting from Lockdown.</u> In a Facebook Live conversation, Heidi Schlumpf and Vatican correspondent Joshua J. McElwee talk about how the coronavirus has impacted their lives (in Chicago for Heidi, and Rome for Josh), and their work as reporters. They discuss their series "The church after coronavirus," which <u>you can read here</u>. Stay tuned for updates on our next live session.

The third contributor on the series "The church after coronavirus," Michael Sean Winters, writes in his column today that "in this moment of crisis, the Democrats have an opportunity to reclaim their mantle as the party of the people": <u>Time for the Dems to earn the hatred of the wealthy and connected.</u>

Nowhere to go: Young people cope with homelessness in the US: At Global Sisters Report, special series "A Place to Call Home" continues, with Dan Stockman's reporting: "On any given night in the United States, 41,000 unaccompanied youth ages 13-25 are without a home. And on all of those nights, Catholic women religious are working to shelter them, feed them, and protect them."

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