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Fr. Bryan Massingale is seen during a 2017 panel discussion in New York.  
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In this episode, hosts Father Daniel, Heidi and David discuss the recent focus of right-wing groups on Catholic organizations that work on the southern U.S. border, and the firing of two faculty advisers at a Catholic school newspaper. The trio also welcome Fr. Bryan Massingale to discuss the recent upsurge in book bans across the nation.

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