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This week, *VoiceAfrique* Catholic invites us to reflect on the shifting centers of global influence and the moral questions shaping our world today. From the emerging “Africa-first” vision within the papacy to the economic tensions driven by rising oil prices, and from the ethical dilemmas of global conflict to the enduring promise of Easter hope, these stories call us to look beyond geopolitical interests. They challenge us to uphold human dignity and to seek a more just and peaceful global family rooted in faith and solidarity.

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Will Pope Leo's Africa-vision go beyond his pilgrimage to Africa?

By Stan Chu Ilo

This analysis explores the early direction of Pope Leo XIV's papacy, particularly his emerging "Africa-first" outlook. With African clergy increasingly visible in key Vatican roles and liturgical functions, the Church is acknowledging the continent's growing significance. As the Pope begins an important journey starting in Algeria, the reflection considers whether this moment signals a deeper shift—one in which Africa moves from being seen primarily as a mission territory to becoming a vital source of missionary energy for the global Church.

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Rising oil prices: What is Nigeria doing with its petro-dollar windfall?

By Augustine Anwuchie

Nigeria's economic situation remains a pressing concern as global oil prices rise while domestic fuel costs continue to burden citizens. This report examines the structural challenges behind this contradiction, including subsidy reforms and reliance on imported refined fuel. Beyond the immediate pressures, it raises critical questions about transparency, accountability, and the urgent need for economic diversification to safeguard the dignity and well-being of all Nigerians.

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The U.S and Israel are fighting an unjust war in Iran

By Stan Chu Ilo

This reflection offers a moral perspective on the escalating tensions in the Middle East. It questions the growing normalization of violence and the use of religious language to justify conflict. With a prophetic voice, it calls on both religious and political leaders to prioritize dialogue over destruction, reminding us that peace remains the deepest aspiration of humanity and the truest expression of moral leadership.

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Easter's joyful hope is not sentimental

By Titilayo Aduloju

In a world marked by suffering and uncertainty, the message of the Resurrection offers a hope that goes beyond emotion or symbolism. This reflection presents Christian hope as a transformative force, one that challenges injustice and calls believers to actively defend life. It invites us to move beyond fear and division, recognizing that every act of violence diminishes our shared humanity and encourages the building of a culture rooted in love, justice, and resilience.

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