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## Children at Risk

The sexual abuse of children and vulnerable adults is increasingly described as a social epidemic. In a multi-part series, Catholic News Service looks at sex abuse in society, what the scale of the problem is, what is being done to help the victims and pursue the perpetrators, and how the Church might provide models for response based on its own history dealing with such abuse.

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2. Helping victims to find a path to healing: <https://cnstopstories.com/2019/02/06/advocacy-centers-help-abuse-victims-tell-their-story-regain-trust-heal/>
3. Every diocese, every day - victim assistance coordinators: <https://cnstopstories.com/2019/02/06/victim-assistance-coordinators-comfort-in-a-behind-the-scenes-ministry/>
4. The deadly lure of sex traffickers: <https://cnstopstories.com/2019/02/07/mother-tells-how-daughter-became-victim-of-sex-trafficking-lost-her-life/>
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9. A survivor, a convert, who found solace in the saints: <https://cnstopstories.com/2019/02/08/survivor-saints-give-solace-in-coping-with-effects-of-child-sex-abuse/>
10. A Catholic columnist's own story of family abuse: <https://cnstopstories.com/2019/02/08/survivor-no-more-turning-away/>
11. What has the Church done to protect children: <https://cnstopstories.com/2019/02/11/societal-shifts-seen-in-acknowledging-sex-abuse-finding-ways-to-address-it/>
12. Society is finally confronting this epidemic of abuse: <https://cnstopstories.com/2019/02/12/protocols-to-address-abuse-in-u-s-dioceses-eparchies-in-place-since-2002/>

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