



The News

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The citizens' convention on the end of life starts today. Nearly 175 citizens, randomly selected, meet for the first time. Their work will, in total, last four months. Debates will also be organized in each region. The objective is to submit proposals to the government with a view to a possible law in 2023. Changing the legislation on the end of life is a campaign promise of Emmanuel Macron.

What is the government preparing to curb the ninth wave of the covid epidemic? Health Minister François Braun will hold a press conference at 5 p.m. He will say whether wearing a mask will become mandatory once again on public transportation, as contaminations and hospitalizations continue to increase. Nearly 60,000 new cases were recorded per day these past days, which represents a 17% increase in one week.

Before possible power cuts in the middle of winter, a simulation will be carried out today. Enedis and RTE will test a "programmed and selective electrical power cut plan". A test in collaboration with the prefectures. Enedis is used to conducting this type of simulation several times a year in its own crisis cell. Meanwhile, EDF announced the return to service last night of two additional nuclear reactors. France is currently operating with 40 out of 56 reactors.

In Deux-Sèvres, an Italian priest is suspended after confessing to sexual assaults on minors. The assaults allegedly took place in the 90s in Brazil. The events having occurred abroad, no prosecution can take place in France, according to the Archbishop of Poitiers. On the other hand, the priest is suspended and forbidden to come into contact with minors.

Andrée Damant has passed away. The actress had notably played in "Le Fabuleux Destin d'Amélie Poulain", "Scènes de Ménage" and "Plus belle la vie". She was 93 years old.

The quarterfinals of the World Cup start today, with at 4 p.m. Croatia - Brazil, followed at 8 p.m. by Netherlands - Argentina. *Les Bleus* will play tomorrow against England.