



**May 20 - 26, 2024**

### **What's Happening**

**AZ may join coalition of states challenging fed'l govt on immigration domain - Arizona Central**

**Senate to vote on bipartisan border package again - Axios**

**Pope Francis denounces attempts to close the US-Mexico border as 'madness.' - CBS News**

**Trump deportation plans would affect job market, economy - Wash Post**

**Biden admin planning further changes to speed up asylum processing - AP**

**Mexico to help US keep migrant flow under 4,000 a day – Border Report**

**Trump allies draw up plans for unprecedented immigration crackdown - WSJ**

**Latino lawmakers urge Biden to extend work permits for undocumented - The Guardian**

**White House asks judge to change protections for migrant children in govt custody - PBS.org**

**Migrant apprehension policies inside Mexico that lowered US border numbers are not sustainable - Texas Public Radio**

**Panama's next president says he'll try to shut down one of the world's busiest migration routes - AP**

**Non-citizen voting is rare. Republicans are focusing on it anyway - Wash Post**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**We pray that those who seek to make a home in this country may find us welcoming and willing to help them find a path toward citizenship. We pray that our legislators, as they craft new immigration legislation may find the wisdom and courage to enact new policies that do justice for our country and for those who would immigrate here. We pray for those who fan the flames of fear and discrimination against the undocumented may be touched with your divine compassion. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. (The Archdiocese of Chicago )**

### **Action Two: Calls/Letters**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your Senators to support meaningful, bipartisan immigration reform**

<https://p2a.co/R7DD4en>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Take action for Haiti. <https://quixote.org/action#>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL -Email your legislators urging them to protect family immigration.**

<https://advancingjustice-aajc.quorum.us/campaign/43496/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your MOC to support secure, efficient and human border security management. <https://p2a.co/Tc6usjk>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL – Urge Congress to co-sponsor the Protect Vulnerable Immigrant Youth**

**Act - <https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your MOC to support HR 1325 - the Asylum Seekers Work Authorization Act.** <https://www.refugeesinternational.org/actions/let-asylum-seekers-work/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urges DHS to take immediate steps to keep families together and grant TPS to Ecuadorians.** <https://action.momsrising.org/sign/tps-for-ecuador/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress - it's time to end child labor in the US now.**  
[https://action.greenamerica.org/page/65000/action/1?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=engagingnetworks&utm\\_campaign=EndChildLaborUS\\_Action\\_0324&utm\\_content=20240314++End+US+Child+Labor+Core&ea.url.id=2400059&forwarded=true](https://action.greenamerica.org/page/65000/action/1?utm_medium=email&utm_source=engagingnetworks&utm_campaign=EndChildLaborUS_Action_0324&utm_content=20240314++End+US+Child+Labor+Core&ea.url.id=2400059&forwarded=true)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC: Co-sponsor the End Solitary Confinement Act -**  
<https://nr.cat.salsalabs.org/esca-cosponsorship/index.html>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to invest in housing programs -** [https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-to-invest-in-housing-programs/?link\\_id=1&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-re-take-action-demand-congress-increase-funding-to-critical-programs-to-address-the-housing-crisis&email\\_referrer=email\\_2305267&email\\_subject=re-take-action-demand-congress-increase-funding-to-critical-programs-to-address-the-housing-crisis](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-to-invest-in-housing-programs/?link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-re-take-action-demand-congress-increase-funding-to-critical-programs-to-address-the-housing-crisis&email_referrer=email_2305267&email_subject=re-take-action-demand-congress-increase-funding-to-critical-programs-to-address-the-housing-crisis)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Senate to defend asylum -** <https://www.maryknollogc.org/action/tell-senate-defend-asylum>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress you support immigration reform that respect religious liberty.** <https://www.voterveice.net/JFI/Campaigns/110431/Respond>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition telling Biden to reunite immigrant families now.**  
<https://www.change.org/p/president-biden-please-reunite-families-now>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition - seeking asylum is a human right.**  
[https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right?source=2024Asylum\\_DK&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2FdKll2024%3Frefcode%3D20240116SWAsylum&link\\_id=2&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_2173391&email\\_subject=sign-if-you-agree-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right-that-must-be-protected&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\\_2173391](https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right?source=2024Asylum_DK&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2FdKll2024%3Frefcode%3D20240116SWAsylum&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2173391&email_subject=sign-if-you-agree-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right-that-must-be-protected&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2173391)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to invest in communities' capacity to welcome refugees.**  
<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/urgent-action-tell-congress-to-invest-in-local-communities-capacity-to-welcome-refugees/>

### Action Three: Education

**America's misunderstanding of border crisis represented in charts -** <https://www.vox.com/politics/24153132/us-border-crisis-mexico-migrant-immigration-asylum>

**New study find that immigrants do not crowd out US born professionals -**  
<https://www.forbes.com/sites/stuartanderson/2024/05/13/more-evidence-immigrants-dont-crowd-out-us-born-professionals/?sh=4ee4db7776e2>

**Digital metering at the US Mexico border -** <https://www.hrw.org/report/2024/05/01/we-couldnt-wait/digital-metering-us-mexico-border#:~:text=The%20result%20is%20a%20system,asylum%2C%20particularly%20for%20certain%20groups>

**Enrolling migrant children in Massachusetts schools poses challenge and opportunity -**  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/boston/news/peabody-massachusetts-schools-migrants-children-students/>

**Chicago woman helps migrants fight for chance to remain in US -**  
<https://chicago.suntimes.com/immigration/2024/05/14/chicago-woman-who-helps-migrants-fights-chance-stay-united-states>

**Trump allies draw up plans for unprecedented immigration crackdown -**  
[https://www.wsj.com/politics/elections/trump-immigration-plans-deportation-e91b1bc4?st=qsWCz24febdlDpo&reflink=desktopwebshare\\_permalink](https://www.wsj.com/politics/elections/trump-immigration-plans-deportation-e91b1bc4?st=qsWCz24febdlDpo&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink)

### Action Four: Action

**ONGOING: BROADVIEW ONLINE FRIDAY ROSARY:** The Rosary prayer is conducted every Friday at 715 am CT for our immigrant sisters and brothers in detention, deportation and their families. The prayer is led by Sr JoAnn Persch, RSM and Pat Murphy, RSM. If anyone want to connect in Zoom or participate in person, they can contact Sr. JoAnn Persch at 773-597-5394 or [jpmrsm2@gmail.com](mailto:jpmrsm2@gmail.com)

**ICDI Monthly meetings:** Monthly meetings-first Thursday of every month at 12:00pm CT. These meetings begin with a small interfaith reflection and continue with our ICDI staff giving program updates. Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisjJ>

**Action Five: Social Media: (@Rep/Sen)** Urge fed'l agencies to NOT participate in TX's Operation Lone Star & similar programs. Under the Constitution, only the fed'l govt can create & enforce immigration laws. **Thank you for your efforts!**