



September 29 – October 5, 2025

What's Happening

Prisons hiring for ICE centers around Chicago ready to cash in - Chicago Sun Times

ICE escalates violence against protesters in Broadview - Block Club Chicago

Trump admin authorizes 200 Natl Guard members for Portland deployment - Oregon Public Broadcasting

Dems ask court to allow unaccompanied visits to immigration detention centers - Wisconsin Examiner

Trump admin to end protections for thousands of Syrians - Wash Post

ICE cancels meeting as IL congressional delegation seeks answers - State Jrnl Register

Feds march into downtown Chicago; top border agent says people are arrested based on 'how they look' - Chicago Sun Times

Deaths of migrants at ICE facilities are increasing, data shows - Border Report

New California law bans on-duty federal officers from wearing masks - CBS News

California, Trump headed to a standoff over ICE officer mask ban - SF Chronicle

Action One: Prayer

May you recognize in your life, the presence, power and light of your soul. May you realize that you are never alone, that your soul in its brightness and belonging connects you intimately with the rhythm of the universe. May you have respect for your own individuality and difference. May you realize that the shape of your soul is unique, that you have a special destiny here, that behind the facade of your life there is something beautiful, good, and eternal happening. May you learn to see yourself with the same delight, pride, and expectation with which God sees you in every moment. Amen. (John O'Donohue's 'A Blessing of Solitude')

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell US lawmakers and European govts: Grant safe passage to Global Sumud Flotilla sailing to Gaza. [https://actionnetwork.org/forms/flotilla/?source=group-native-organizers-alliance&referrer=group-native-organizers-alliance&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/noa_gaza_humanitarian_flotillas&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2899440_cohort_130849](https://actionnetwork.org/forms/flotilla/?source=group-native-organizers-alliance&referrer=group-native-organizers-alliance&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/noa_gaza_humanitarian_flotillas&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2899440_cohort_130849&&email_subject=tell-lawmakers-gaza-needs-safe-passage-for-aid&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2899440_cohort_130849)

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your MOC to support legislation that reverses harmful SNAP cuts -

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-your-members-of-congress-to-support-legislation-that-reverses-harmful-snap-cuts/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Trump: Feed Gaza now! https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-president-trump-feed-gaza/?source=group-the-labor-force&referrer=group-the-labor-force?redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/tlf-afqe-shutdown-thankyou&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2906141&&email_subject=tell-trump-feed-gaza-now&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2906141

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to stop law enforcement from using tear gas on civilians. It should never be used against people exercising their constitutional right to protest.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/c3-no-tear-gas/?source=group-just-strategy&referrer=group-just-strategy&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/nc4j_fight_to_ban_tear_gas_nationwide&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2907993&&email_subject=protest-is-not-a-crime-stop-the-use-of-tear-gas&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2907993

NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand the Trump admin use its power to end the restrictions on the flow of humanitarian aid and feed Gaza now. https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-president-trump-feed-gaza/?source=group-native-organizers-alliance&referrer=group-native-organizers-alliance&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/noa_fight_for_aid_in_gaza&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2890757&&email_subject=demand-the-trump-administration-stop-the-starvation-of-palestinians&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2890757

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your MOC: Cosponsor Neighbor Not Enemies Act and prevent future human rights abuses. <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-your-members-of-congress-to-cosponsor-the-neighbors-not-enemies-act-and-prevent-future-human-rights-abuses/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to extend Affordable Care Act tax credits.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/extend-aca-tax-credits-cr?clear_id=true&source=direct_link

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge US officials to stop famine and save lives in Gaza - <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-u-s-officials-to-call-for-an-immediate-ceasefire-in-gaza-support-humanitarian-aid-and-protect-civilian-life/>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to stop the cuts to humanitarian aid -

https://act.hias.org/page/86896/action/17en_txn6=MR-EM-FY25-09-advocacy_2025-advo_full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=advocacy_2025&utm_content=FY25+09+Foreign+Aid+Funding+Action&ea.url.id=3977369

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition: Investigate and shut down violent ICE detention centers https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/investigate_ice_prisons/?t=19&akid=33987%2E8294413%2E2Qk6cd

Action Three: Education

Understanding new \$100,000 H-1B visa fee - <https://www.forbes.com/sites/stuartanderson/2025/09/21/understanding-donald-trumps-100000-immigration-fee-on-h-1b-visas/>

First US Bishop named by Pope Leo XIV is a former refugee and a voice for immigrants -

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/first-american-bishop-appointed-by-pope-leo-emerges-as-a-new-voice-of-the-catholic-church>

“The Cabrini pledge’ urges hope for migrants and refugees - <https://www.ncronline.org/news/cabrini-pledge-calls-faithful-be-keepers-hope-migrants-and-refugees>

How the Supreme Court’s latest decision clears the way for racial discrimination

<https://www.americanimmigrationcouncil.org/blog/supreme-courts-decision-racial-profiling-immigration-raids/?emci=19ff369e-149b-f011-8e61-6045bded8ba4&emdi=4a3dbc46-739c-f011-8e61-6045bded8ba4&ceid=9493976>

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. If you want to connect in Zoom or participate in person, contact Sr. JoAnn Persch at 773-597-5394 or jpmrsm2@gmail.com

ICDI Monthly meetings: Monthly meetings-first Thursday of every month at 12:00pm CT. Meetings begin with a small interfaith reflection and continue with our ICDI staff giving pgm updates. Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97m09XQRns5BwjnisjI>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) Urge Congress to protect due process and stop the Admin from undermining the integrity of the immigration court. Thank you for your efforts!