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What's Happening

Pope Leo tells bishops to address Trump's immigration crackdown - Reuters

Religious leaders denied request to deliver communion to detainees at Broadview facility - Chicago Sun Times

ICE agents in Chicago area who aren't undercover must wear badge/IDs, federal judge rules - Block Club Chicago

Fed'l judge blocks Trump from deploying Natl Guard to Chicago, rest of state - Chicago Trib

Kristi Noem says DHS purchasing more buildings in Chicago - Chicago Trib

'Alligator Alcatraz' snaps back to life after judges' reprieve of FL's migrant jail - The Guardian

LA county considers declaring state of emergency to fight against ICE raids - LA Times

Bishop Seitz brings Pope Leo XIV letters from desperate migrants in US - AP

Hundreds could be freed from custody after warrantless arrest ruling - Block Club Chicago

Trump appoints new head of immigration courts - NY Times

ICE blocked from detaining unaccompanied minors once they turn 18 years old - Politico

Trump calls for arrest of JB Pritzker, Brandon Johnson for not protecting ICE - The Hill

Action One: Prayer

Hear me, O LORD! Increase my faith that I might have the strength to acclaim you the Rock of my salvation. Pour out the fiery love of the Holy Spirit that my faith, even the size of a mustard seed, might allow me the boldness to say to the problems of this world, "Be uprooted" and our collective concern and acts of care might help to bring justice and Your peace where I now see strife and violence. Give me a vision of mercy, unity, creativity, and joy that I might have the hope to follow Christ's Gospel and the integrity to be your servant like our beloved brother Francis had the faith and foolishness to do. Amen. (from Franciscan Action Network)

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your elected officials to condemn DHS plan to incentivize unaccompanied children's departure - <https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-urge-your-elected-officials-to-condemn-dhs-plan-to-incentivize-unaccompanied-childrens-departure/>

NATIONAL LEVEL -End Trump's mass deportation and violent ICE raids - https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/end_violent_ice_raids/?t=5&akid=34228%2E8294413%2EvfWw9d

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Don't silence dissent with tear gas –

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/c3-no-tear-gas/?source=group-demand-progress-3&referrer=group-demand-progress-3&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2Fno_tear_gas

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 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 stop the cuts to humanitarian aid -

https://act.hias.org/page/86896/action/1?en_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 - Tell Congress to stop militarization and close detention centers like Ft Bliss

[https://sign.moveon.org/petitions/close-abusive-detention-centers?source=mo&utm_source=mo&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2909821&email_subject=sign-the-petition-re-fort-bliss-detention-camp&utm_medium=email&utm_source=mo&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2909821&email_subject=sign-the-petition-re-fort-bliss-detention-camp](https://sign.moveon.org/petitions/close-abusive-detention-centers?source=mo&utm_source=mo&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2909821&email_subject=sign-the-petition-re-fort-bliss-detention-camp&utm_medium=email&utm_source=mo&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2909821&email_subject=sign-the-petition-re-fort-bliss-detention-camp&utm_medium=email&utm_source=mo&link_id=0&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2909821&email_subject=sign-the-petition-re-fort-bliss-detention-camp)

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

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 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

Action Three: Education

'Alligator Alcatraz' snaps back to life after judges' reprieve of FL's migrant jail -

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/oct/07/trump-alligator-alcatraz-florida>

Needing foreign student, rural small colleges reel amid immigration crackdown

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/oct/04/small-colleges-international-students-trump>

Neighbors warn neighbors as fear of ICE ripples across Chicago - https://www.nytimes.com/2025/10/06/us/fear-ice-chicago.html?unlocked_article_code=1.rk8.hv7S.MhQoFFWOnFxS&smid=nytcore-ios-share&referringSource=articleShar

Trump Labor Dept says his immigration raids are causing a food crisis - <https://prospect.org/politics/trump-labor-department-immigration-ICE-food-crisis/>

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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97m09XQRns5Bwjnisjl>

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) We are failing as a country to welcome others. We must give people the chance to seek asylum and pursue a better life – not slam the door.

Thank you for your efforts!