



**May 6 – 12, 2024**

## **What's Happening**

**States away from Mexican border push immigration enforcement laws - AP**

**Justice Dept says it will sue to stop Iowa's new immigration law - Des Moines Register**

**North Carolina legislature advances bill compelling sheriffs to aid ICE - AP**

**Georgia gov signs bill compelling sheriffs to enforce immigration law - Georgia Recorder**

**CA floats extending health ins subsidies to all adult immigrants - KFF Health News**

**Biden will expand Obamacare to immigrants with DACA protections - NY Times**

**White House to consider accepting Palestinians from war torn Gaza - CBS News**

**Oklahoma Gov signs anti-immigration bill allowing local arrest of migrants - The Oklahoman**

**Advocates pressure Houston mayor to protect immigrants from SB4 - Houston Landing.org**

**Biden, Mexican President eye 'significantly' reducing border crossings - The Hill**

**Texas must face Biden admin lawsuit over floating migrant barrier - Reuters**

**Immigrant advocates push for Illinois healthcare plan - Daily Herald**

**One year later, FL immigration law deals huge blow to businesses - NPR**

## **Action One: Prayer**

**Loving Father, we pray that you provide your divine protection to all migrants, particularly those who are driven from their homes due to war or violence, who are uprooted due to environmental degradation and climate change, or whose material poverty pushes them to find opportunities elsewhere. Show us how we might reach out to these vulnerable people and help them to begin a new life in a new home. Open our hearts, so that we may provide hospitality for all who come in search of refuge. Give us the courage to welcome every stranger, as Christ in our midst. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. (USCCB)**

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

**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.votervoices.net/JFI/Campaigns/110431/Respond>**

**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-aaajc.quorum.us/campaign/43496/>

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

**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 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 - 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%2Fdckl2024%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&refcode>EmailReferrer=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%2Fdckl2024%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&refcode>EmailReferrer=email_2173391)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to invest in local communities' capacity to welcome**

**refugees.** <https://cwsqglobal.org/action-alerts/urgent-action-tell-congress-to-invest-in-local-communities-capacity-to-welcome-refugees/>

### **Action Three: Education**

**Family takes in Afghan refugee -** <https://wapo.st/3UdkXsh>

**Venezuelan immigrants transforming DC food deliveries -** <https://wapo.st/3w7bniM>

**Navigating the US Mexico border: Digital practices of migrants and their psychosocial needs**

<https://www.jrsusa.org/resource/new-report-navigating-the-us-mexico-border-digital-practices-of-migrants-and-their-psychosocial-needs/>

**(Report) How Europe is slowing closing its doors to asylum seekers -** <https://cmsny.org/how-europe-closing-doors-to-asylum-seekers/>

**Increased immigration enforcement in Mexico reduces crossing at US Mexico border -**

<https://wapo.st/4bdNgxC>

**Biden will expand Obamacare to immigrants with DACA protections -**

[https://www.nytimes.com/2024/05/03/us/politics/immigrants-daca-health-care.html?unlocked\\_article\\_code=1.pE0.KP8q.B5QKYvx2qGQL&smid=url-share](https://www.nytimes.com/2024/05/03/us/politics/immigrants-daca-health-care.html?unlocked_article_code=1.pE0.KP8q.B5QKYvx2qGQL&smid=url-share)

### **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: (@POTUS)** With rampant insecurity and violence driven by political and gang conflicts that have significantly worsened following two massive jailbreaks the Biden administration needs to REDESIGNATE HAITI FOR TPS. **Thank you for your efforts!**