



September 30 – October 6, 2019

What's Happening?

Protesters march on immigration detention center in Colorado - KKTU News

New ICE director in Chicago criticizes the city's sanctuary ordinance - Chicago Tribune

Trump slashes refugee cap to 18,000, curtailing US role as a haven - NY Times

In Dallas, refugees say Trump's new restrictions will hurt desperate displaced persons around the globe - Dallas Morning News

Judge blocks Trump admin plan to detain migrant children - NY Times

11 Senate Republicans voted to block Trump's border wall emergency declaration - VOX

US announces asylum deal with Honduras, could send migrants to one of the world's violent nations - Wash Post

El Salvador president to discuss migration with Trump after asylum deal - Reuters

Most DACA recipients fear for safety if deported to country of birth, study finds - LA Times

Immigration judge slams 'Remain in Mexico' tent courts - The Texas Observer

Action One: Prayer

**Almighty God, through your Holy Spirit you created unity in the midst of diversity. We acknowledge that human diversity is an expression of your manifold love for your creation. We confess that in our brokenness as human beings we turn diversity into a source of alienation, injustice, oppression, and wounding. Empower us to recognize and celebrate differences as your great gift to the human family. Enable us to be the architects of understanding, of respect and love. Through the Lord, the ground of all unity, we pray.
(Author Unknown)**

Action Two: Calls/Letters

NATIONAL LEVEL - Say NO to Trump's inhumane policies that separate families and harm kids. <http://fpl.actionkit.com/call/say-no-president-trumps-inhumane-policies-separate-families-harm-kids/?t=7&akid=1693%2E48167%2E-N4CkC>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Christians, welcome the stranger. We oppose Trump's immigration raids. https://act.faithfulamerica.org/sign/ice_raids/?t=1&akid=1643%2E443148%2EbALF-E&Type=EmailBlastContent&eld=041c315f-e390-4496-8136-bcfe9d3075ae

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to Congress calling for the protection of those seeking asylum at our border. https://ignatiansolidarity.net/campaignforhospitality/2019/06/27/action-alert-inherent-dignity-of-asylum-seekers/?utm_source=ISN+Updates+List&utm_campaign=fdbd2096e3-Light_Darkness_2019&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f721035495-fdbd2096e3-255847889&mc_cid=fdbd2096e3&mc_eid=9c9f057a6f

NATIONAL LEVEL - Climate change effects immigrants and refugees causing them to flee their home countries. Tell Congress to pass the Climate Action Now Act.

https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-tackle-the-climate-crisis-congress-must-pass-the-climate-action-now-act?source=2019ClimateActionNowAct_FAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=a79f6379-ab50-4ff4-89ad-4bcae03a841a

NATIONAL LEVEL - Take Action -sign the petition to end Muslim ban, support the NO Ban Act.

https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-end-the-racist-muslim-ban-support-the-no-ban-act?source=2019NOBANAct_FAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=6120844c-c53e-443c-8fc7-21b9c7b25300

NATIONAL LEVEL - Congress: #RepealTheBan and support the NO BAN Act.

https://act.mpowerchange.org/sign/repealtheban-nobanact/?source=rtb_fan&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=1b2b4eff-52a6-4fac-bb56-43b7c6b84dc8

NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition to respect the human right to migrate.

https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-the-petition-respect-the-human-right-to-migrate-and-end-militarization-at-the-border?source=RespectMigration2018_CC&referrer=group-courage-campaign

Action Three: Education

Per watchdog report, hundreds of migrant kids in govt shelters are put on psychotropic drugs

https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/43kndg/hundreds-of-migrant-kids-in-government-shelters-are-put-on-psychotropic-drugs-says-a-watchdog-report?fbclid=IwAR2E5pvqwJLdIp2-8BekY9h_mY1sMk6t0DHJXSsvJvON-vrVY1svE13HGbc

Family separation and refugee cap reinvigorate Jews' activist roots -

https://www.heraldmailmedia.com/news/nation/family-separation-and-refugee-cap-reinvigorate-jews-activist-roots-we/article_44e32b28-f598-5280-b84e-0c097e1ece04.html

Detained immigrant children suffer “trauma after trauma” says pediatric experts -

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/detained-migrant-children-suffer-trauma-after-trauma-say-pediatric-experts>

Lawyer champions migrant rights in a divided America - <https://www.borderreport.com/hot-topics/lawyer-champions-migrant-rights-in-a-divided-america/>

Why immigrant families are struggling to contain mumps outbreak among detained migrants -

<https://www.houstonpublicmedia.org/articles/news/in-depth/2019/09/23/346620/why-immigration-facilities-are-struggling-to-contain-a-mumps-outbreak-among-detained-migrants/>

How the US built the world's largest immigration detention system -

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2019/sep/24/detained-us-largest-immigrant-detention-trump>

Action Four: Action

ONGOING: BROADVIEW FRIDAY MORNING VIGILS: 7 AM, 1930 Beach St., Broadview, IL

Join in prayer vigil at the immigration processing center to provide public witness and accompaniment to those about to be deported. First Fridays are Interfaith Services; other Fridays center on the Catholic Rosary **DIRECTIONS:** from Loop, take I-290 west to south 25th Ave, then to exit 18A; turn right at Lexington, left at Beach St.

Sat., Oct 5 - Taste of Aviator House: 6pm reception followed by dinner. Tickets \$75 - an evening of fun and fundraising in support of young men seeking asylum. Event will be held at St. Aviator High School, 1213 E. Oakton St, Arlington Heights. To register, go to:

<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=E344577&id=12>

Wed., October 16 - Catholic Prayer Vigil - “They're all Our Children” - at Holy Family Catholic Church (Chicago) 12 PM – 2 PM. (312) 492-8442. Hosted by Arch of Chicago, Office for Human Dignity & Solidarity - Immigration Ministry.

Action Five: Social Media - @realDonaldTrump We must protect religious minorities and other families in harm's way. If we don't, no one will. Thank you for all your efforts.