



**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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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.**