



## April 16 - 22, 2018 Alert on Immigration

### What's Happening?

The surest path to a green card may be an investor visa — at least for anybody with \$500,000 to spare - LA Times

Justice Dept. to halt legal-advice program for immigrants in detention - Washington Post

U.S. gathers data on migrants deep in Mexico, a sensitive program Trump's rhetoric could put at risk - Washington Post

Pro-immigrant campaign targets GOP for lack of DACA fix - The Hill

Notary scams a grave danger for undocumented immigrant community - Las Vegas Sun

Pope Francis Puts Caring for Migrants and Opposing Abortion on Equal Footing - NY Times

U.S. seeks to deport thousands of Vietnamese protected by treaty – Reuters

### Action One: Prayer

Dear Jesus, today you call us to welcome the members of God's family who come to our land to escape oppression, poverty, persecution, violence, and war. Like your disciples, we too are filled with fear and doubt and even suspicion. We build barriers in our hearts and in our minds. Help us, by your grace: to banish fear from our hearts, that we may embrace each of your children as our own brother and sister; to welcome migrants and refugees with joy and generosity, while responding to their many needs; to unmask and address the underlying causes of immigration. We praise you and give you thanks for the family you have called together from so many people. We see in this human family a reflection of the divine unity of the one Most Holy Trinity in whom we make our prayer: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*(adapted from USCCB prayer for Migrants and Refugees)*

### Action Two: Calls/Letters

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - SIMN asks that you contact your Senators ([202-224-3121](tel:202-224-3121)) and Reps ([202-225-3121](tel:202-225-3121)). Ask them to oppose legislation which would remove protections from unaccompanied alien minors who arrive at US borders.

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - CRLN is asking for help to stop Yesica's deportation. Her family's asylum claims have been allowed and are proceeding under the same set of entry circumstances that apply to Yesica's case. She was fleeing El Salvador following the murder of her father. **Do Not share on social media.** Sign the petition: <https://action.mijente.net/petitions/stop-yesica-s-deportation-1>

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - Nepali TPS holders should be allowed to stay in safety. Tell your Rep: [https://callyourrep.co/?utm\\_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm\\_campaign=d6a166dad6-nepal\\_tps&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_a33179621a-d6a166dad6-284015825](https://callyourrep.co/?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=d6a166dad6-nepal_tps&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-d6a166dad6-284015825)

**NATIONAL LEVEL** - Tell Congress - Renew Temporary Protected Status for Honduras and Nepal. <https://secure3.convio.net/sojo/site/Advocacy?cmd=display&page=UserAction&id=1160>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - From CLINIC: Stand with Honduran TPS Holders. Join other faith leaders/ organizations in standing with our Honduran brothers and sisters! Nearly 60,000 Hondurans with TPS are at risk of losing their protection from deportation. Deadline April 20.**

**Faith Leaders click here:**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeWcrDWTfQX5x0IEzLex3-kqkeyJRSuXMP6TpkTpCGRB11SdQ/viewform>

**Faith Organizations click here:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnssoxn4\\_PDDgDTgAE8eR4k9JLEqdVbO5AvS4gQNKrMveR6g/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnssoxn4_PDDgDTgAE8eR4k9JLEqdVbO5AvS4gQNKrMveR6g/viewform)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Join faith leaders/organizations to sign on to an interfaith letter urging ICE to stop detaining pregnant women. Deadline is COB on Friday, April 20th.**

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[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNZfebqgbA41yXDD48CTaIJFQmIDt19RBzyRsGuv\\_vwgJRng/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNZfebqgbA41yXDD48CTaIJFQmIDt19RBzyRsGuv_vwgJRng/viewform)

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**NATIONAL LEVEL -Recently, ICE arrested approximately 100 people from a meatpacking plant in Tennessee - largest worksite immigration raid in a decade. Tell Congress: Support the Dignity for Detained Immigrants Act.**

[https://act.credoaction.com/sign/dignity\\_immigrants?t=3&akid=28080%2E2678758%2ENGCKcM](https://act.credoaction.com/sign/dignity_immigrants?t=3&akid=28080%2E2678758%2ENGCKcM)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to DHS and ICE: Stop terrorizing our communities.**

<http://action.nilc.org/page/s/nilc-DHS?source=em180320-full>

### **Action Three: Education**

**Lulu's Choice - A young girl joins others like her – US citizen children of undocumented parents living in Mexico, struggling to adapt to a country.**

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/world/wp/2018/04/05/feature/for-an-american-teen-whose-parents-were-deported-to-mexico-an-agonizing-choice/>

**Trump Has the Same Central American Migrant Problem as Obama -**

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-has-the-same-central-american-migrant-problem-as-obama/2018/04/05/c49c78c4-3830-11e8-8fd2-49fe3c675a89\\_story.html?utm\\_term=.dd08136eb2d0](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-has-the-same-central-american-migrant-problem-as-obama/2018/04/05/c49c78c4-3830-11e8-8fd2-49fe3c675a89_story.html?utm_term=.dd08136eb2d0)

**Pope Francis Puts Caring for Migrants and Opposing Abortion on Equal Footing -**

[https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/09/world/europe/pope-francis-migrants-abortion.html?utm\\_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm\\_campaign=ce88988a87-CLINIC\\_Daily\\_4-11-18&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_a33179621a-ce88988a87-284015825](https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/09/world/europe/pope-francis-migrants-abortion.html?utm_source=CLINIC+Mail&utm_campaign=ce88988a87-CLINIC_Daily_4-11-18&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_a33179621a-ce88988a87-284015825)

### **Action Four: Action**

**Community Webinar - Wednesday, May 2, 12 pm PST/3 pm EST - on Protecting Southeast Asian Immigrant Families. Collecting Comments to Fight Back Against Public Charge Regulation. Register for webinar information <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3240971441377496578>**

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

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.

### **Action Five: Social Media –**

**@TheJusticeDept Reinstate the Legal Orientation Program that provides guidance and legal support to detained #immigrants**

**Thank you for your support!**