





## **April 28 - May 4, 2025**

## What's Happening

2 US citizen children were deported to Honduras with their undocumented mother - NY Times

Trump to sign executive order requiring nationwide list of sanctuary cities, states - WSJ

Fed'l agents arrest Milwaukee area judge for obstruction in immigration case - Politico

TX police are slowly joining what could be a 'giant ICE army' - Texas Observer

ICE restoring international students visa registrations - The Hill

Judge blocks Trump from withholding funds from 16 sanctuary cities, counties - Reuters

Trump order for proof of citizenship to vote blocked for now - Bloomberg News

Immigrants sleep on floors as Trump crackdown strains detention cntrs - Wash Post

Judge orders return of second migrant deported to El Salvador - ABC News

President Trump says undocumented immigrants should be deported without trial - NY Times

Mexican President wants ban on US anti-migration TV ad - LA Times

Fed'I court ruling have slowed Trump's mass deportation plans - Miami Herald

## Action One: Prayer

God of Justice, who calls us to uphold the dignity of every human being, every child of this earth, beloved of you: empower your Church to help you heal this terrible cycle of violence and revenge; give us courage to rise above our fear that nothing can be done in the face of the conflict and chaos of our own creating; grant us the conviction to advocate for change and to work for the establishment of your peace, your shalom, you salaam, in this broken world. For your dream of justice and peace on earth, and for us, that we may take up your call to build it, Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen. (excerpt from Prayer for the Holy Land)

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

NATIONAL LEVEL - Encourage Congress to support Religious Workers and the communities they serve - <a href="https://www.votervoice.net/JFI/Campaigns/125628/Respond">https://www.votervoice.net/JFI/Campaigns/125628/Respond</a>

NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to protect the persecuted - https://www.votervoice.net/JFI/Campaigns/121779/Respond

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to oppose mass raids -

https://act.nilc.org/page/79035/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20250210\_EG\_MassRaids\_NILC&ea.url.id=3312189&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL -Urge Congress to protect Dreamers and mixed status families.

https://www.votervoice.net/JFI/Campaigns/122719/Respond

NATIONAL LEVEL - Send a message to you MOC to stop Trump's mass deportations -

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/stop-trumps-racist-mass-deportations-2/?source=group-takeitbackorg&referrer=group-takeitbackorg&re email\_referrer=email\_2625739&email\_subject=tell-congress-no-more-racist-mass-deportations&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\_2625739

NATIONAL LEVEL - Congress must hold the Executive branch accountable for systemic attacks on immigration courts - https://www.aila.org/advocacy-tools/aila-s-advocacy-action-center

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your MOC to restore refugee and humanitarian protections -

https://rcusa.org/policy-center/urgent-action-needed-tell-our-national-leaders-to-restore-refugee-and-humanitarian-protections/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=b8af1f89-c75d-47bf-a2d2-7ae40c70c9c8

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Judiciary Comm Dems: Go to El Salvador. Demand Garcia's release -

https://actionnetwork.org/forms/tell-judiciary-committee-democrats-go-to-el-salvador-demand-garciasrelease/?link\_id=0&can\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-re-trump-defied-scotus-judiciary-dems-must-

act&email\_referrer=email\_2703803&email\_subject=re-trump-defied-scotus-judiciary-dems-must-act&&

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to vote NO on the NO Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act https://act.nilc.org/page/79052/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20250206\_EG\_NoBailout\_NILC&ea.url.id=3304632&forwarded=true

NATIONAL LEVEL - Stand with immigrant youth. Tell MOC to pass a pathway to citizenship **NOW.** https://act.nilc.org/page/69029/action/1?ea.tracking.id=web

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC - pass the Lift the Bar Act today.

https://act.nilc.org/page/69031/action/1

NATIONAL LEVEL - DACA is in danger. Demand Congress deliver permanent protection now.

https://actionnetwork.org/letters/daca-is-in-danger-demand-congress-deliver-permanent-protections-

now//source=email 01.24 1in180&link id=1&can id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email referrer=email 2592715&email subject=congress-needs-tohear-from-you-how-to-protect-immigrant-communities-today

NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC. Oppose expansion of immigration detention -

https://nrcat.salsalabs.org/immigration-detention-2025-1/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=5e4f9d1b-40ed-46b1-bf6a-2ae4bd83f159&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=52821cef-2ed3-4ab1-983a-bd39ff316d74

NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the courts to stop Trump's admin racist actions against Venezuelans.

https://wearecasa.org/updates/tell-courts-stop-trump-racist-attack-venezuelans-tps/?emci=254615d4-b1ef-ef11-90cb-0022482a94f4&emdi=7b27f3a0-bcef-ef11-

Action Three: Education

Pope, a 'son of immigrants' leaves legacy of migrant advocacy -

https://www.cathstan.org/us-world/pope-a-son-of-immigrants-leaves-legacy-of-migrant-advocacy

Complexities of US immigration visa system impact the church's pastoral mission -

https://catholicreview.org/complexities-of-us-immigration-visa-system-impact-the-churchs-pastoral-mission/

Francis papal kindness offers an enduring lesson in secular power. https://wapo.st/42VLLCZ

Lawsuits seek restoration of foreign students' legal status - https://www.cnn.com/2025/04/21/us/international-studentsimmigration-lawsuits-visas/index.html

Order to leave the country - some for US Citizens - sow confusion - https://apnews.com/article/trump-immigrationcbp-one-asylum-4a3aae0453d17b6dfc2c9b590f19497e

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

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/tZwsde2spiotHtlB097m09X0Rns5Bwinisil

Action Five: Social Media: (@Sen/Rep) Congress must deliver a pathway to citizenship for immigrant youth. Support DACA. Help them to become citizens. Thank you for your efforts!