



## November 5 - 11, 2018 Alert on Immigration

### What's Happening?

Trump targeting birthright citizenship with executive order - Axios

Trump to deploy 5,200 troops to southern border - LA Times

No buses for now, weary caravan migrants set to resume march - Associated Press

Trump admin considering limiting asylum seekers at southern border - CNN

Government seeks to survey church property for border wall - Catholic Reporter

Justice Dept. hopes for Supreme Court DACA ruling by spring - NBC News

Asylum seekers being turned away from border bridges ahead of caravan - LA Times

Thousands of Ohio teens can't get license due to parents' immigration status - Columbus Dispatch

ICE is speeding up release of migrating families despite tough rhetoric - LA Times

### Action One: Prayer

Good and gracious God, we thank you for the gift of families. We are grateful for all of the joy and love that they bring into our lives, and we ask that you provide special protection for all families, particularly those who face hardships as they move in search of a better life. Show mercy to those who travel in danger, and lead them to a place of safety and peace. Comfort those who are alone and afraid because their families have been torn apart by violence and injustice. As we reflect upon the difficult journey that the Holy Family faced as refugees in Egypt, help us to remember the suffering of all migrant families. Through the intercession of Mary our Mother, and St. Joseph the Worker, her spouse, we pray that all migrants may be reunited with their loved ones and find the meaningful work they seek. Open our hearts so that we may provide hospitality or 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, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen (USCCB)

### Action Two: Calls/Letters

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Call the White House and Department of Homeland Security: [Dept. of Homeland Sec comment line: 202-282-8495](tel:202-282-8495) and [WH comment line: 202-456-1111](tel:202-456-1111). Tell them you oppose any action to prevent people from seeking asylum and not punish people seeking safety by separating them from their children or detaining them indefinitely.**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Demand Congress act to repeal the Muslim ban. Sign the petition:**

<https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/sign-this-petition-demand-congress-act-to-repeal-the-muslim-ban?source=Aug2018NoMuslimBanFAN&referrer=group-franciscan-action-network&eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=064cf7b2-a1a1-4268-b966-06f8f00aebf2>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Stop ICE and Border Patrol!** ICE and border protection have separated countless families, caused deaths of people fleeing violence, and terrorized communities. Send a message to your MOC: <https://www.afsc.org/action/stop-ice-and-cbp>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell CEOs of Wells Fargo and JP Morgan Chase:** “You are profiting from the death of 18 mo old Mariee Juarez and the imprisonment of immigrants. Stop financing CoreCivic and GEO Group. Sign the petition: [https://act.weareultraviolet.org/sign/banks\\_immigrant\\_detention/?t=6&akid=31727%2E2285932%2EDqDpHm](https://act.weareultraviolet.org/sign/banks_immigrant_detention/?t=6&akid=31727%2E2285932%2EDqDpHm)

**NATIONAL LEVEL – SIMN asks you to contact the White House (202-456-1411) and Congress (Senate: 202-224-3121; House: 202-225-3121) to oppose any family separation policy by the Trump admin.**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Call on Congress to stop funding immigrant detention today.** <https://www.afsc.org/action/call-congress-to-stop-funding-immigrant-detention-today?emci=58b80b1d-1bb5-e811-bce7-000d3a12b7e6&emdi=c7865cc9-c6b5-e811-bce7-000d3a12b7e6&ceid=712858&ms=2018AA0911>

### **Action Three: Education**

**The 14th amendment and birthright citizenship explained -** <https://www.vox.com/2018/7/23/17595754/birthright-citizenship-trump-14th-amendment-executive-order>

**Mexican Immigrants in the U.S. -** <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/article/mexican-immigrants-united-states>

**4 myths about how immigrants affect the US economy -** <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/economy/making-sense/4-myths-about-how-immigrants-affect-the-u-s-economy>

**Stephen Miller, the midterms, and Trump’s immigration push -** <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2018/11/stephen-miller-trump-closing-message/574594/>

**Global Detention project investigates the role of social media in the context of migration control -**

**part 1:** <https://www.globaldetentionproject.org/physical-fences-and-digital-divides-exposing-the-crisis>

**part 2:** <https://www.globaldetentionproject.org/physical-fences-digital-divides-why-would-you-go>

**Pew Research - Immigration concerns fall in Western Europe, but some say newcomers should integrate -** <http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2018/10/22/immigration-concerns-fall-in-western-europe-but-most-see-need-for-newcomers-to-integrate-into-society/>

**Immigrant advocates say proposed benefits rule is a ‘wealth test’ -** <https://www.ncronline.org/news/justice/immigrant-advocates-say-proposed-benefits-rule-wealth-test>

### **Action Four: Action**

**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.

**Public Charge training:** Learn about proposed changes to public charge rule. Free and open to the public. [Mon., Nov 5](#) (5-6:30pm) Loyola Univ. - Chicago - Lake shore campus and [Mon., Nov 12](#) (5-6:30pm) Loyola Univ. Chicago - Maywood. Click here for more info: <https://luc.edu/chrc/events/publicchargetraining/>

**Action Five: Social Media - @DHS and @WhiteHouse** Migrants are not a threat. People of faith welcome migrants. We call on the administration to reflect the best of our American values by welcoming them.

**Thank you for all your support!**