



**April 8 - 14, 2024**

### **What's Happening**

**300 migrants to be housed in shuttered Catholic church on NW side - Chicago Sun Times**

**Human Rights Watch says Columbia, Panama failing to protect migrants - AP**

**Judge orders timely housing for migrant children waiting at border - NY Times**

**TX immigration law may rekindle debate about AZ ruling - CNN**

**Judge rules bond company must pay \$811 million for defrauding migrants - Wash Post**

**Chicago officials confirm tuberculosis cases at migrant shelters - Block Club Chicago**

**NYC sets up task force to get migrant children selling snacks on street into school - CBS**

**Senators call on ICE, DHS to end misuse solitary in immigration detention - The New Tribune**

**Migrants can sue company that flew them to Martha's Vineyard - NPR**

**US is rebuilding a legal pathway for refugees. The election could change that - NY Times**

**Judge questions Border Patrol stand that it's not required to care for children at migrant camps - AP**

**Migrants in Iowa wonder whether to leave over a bill that could see some arrested and deported - AP**

**AZ GOP lawmakers push TX-style border enforcement law for AZ - Tucson.com**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**God, thank you for being our hope in times of uncertainty and despair. Thank you for being present with us in the times of loss. We know you are a God who experienced and experiences loss and mourning with us. Thank you for the times you use us to be a blessing and for the times you use those around us to bless us. Forgive us for the barriers we put up that prevent people from journeying in faith toward blessing. AMEN. (Interfaith Immigration Coalition)**

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

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC: Co-sponsor the End Solitary Confinement Act - <https://nrcat.salsalabs.org/esca-cosponsorship/index.html>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress you support immigration reform that respect religious liberty. <https://www.voterveice.net/JFI/Campaigns/110431/Respond>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to invest in local communities' capacity to welcome refugees. <https://cwsqglobal.org/action-alerts/urgent-action-tell-congress-to-invest-in-local-communities-capacity-to-welcome-refugees/>**

**STATE LEVEL IL) - Take action: Ask your IL Senator and Rep to fight for everybody in 2024.**

<https://p2a.co/eggp9ac>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell your Senators to support meaningful, bipartisan immigration reform**

<https://p2a.co/R7DD4en>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition telling Biden to reunite immigrant families now.**

<https://www.change.org/p/president-biden-please-reunite-families-now>

**NATIONAL LEVEL -Email your legislators urging them to protect family immigration.**

<https://advancingjustice-aajc.quorum.us/campaign/43496/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urges DHS to take immediate steps to keep families together and grant TPS to Ecuadorians.** <https://action.momsrising.org/sign/tps-for-ecuador/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell TX AG Paxton to stop your anti-immigrant, anti-religion attacks on Annunciation House.** <https://act.faithfulamerica.org/sign/annunciation-house/?t=2&akid=9293%2E853384%2E4oetu8>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Sign the petition - seeking asylum is a human right.**

[https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right?source=2024Asylum\\_DK&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2FdKll2024%3Frefcode%3D20240116SWAsylum&link\\_id=2&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_2173391&email\\_subject=sign-if-you-agree-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right-that-must-be-protected&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\\_2173391](https://actionnetwork.org/forms/sign-the-petition-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right?source=2024Asylum_DK&redirect=https%3A%2F%2Fsecure.actblue.com%2Fdonate%2FdKll2024%3Frefcode%3D20240116SWAsylum&link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_2173391&email_subject=sign-if-you-agree-seeking-asylum-is-a-human-right-that-must-be-protected&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_2173391)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Senate to defend asylum -** <https://www.maryknollogc.org/action/tell-senate-defend-asylum>

**NATIONAL LEVEL -- Reject billions to ICE and CBP** <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/government-shutdown-averted>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your US Senator to pass bipartisan anti-trafficking legislation -**

<https://www.voterve.net/JFI/Campaigns/112506/Respond>

### **Action Three: Education**

**Migrants with disabilities struggle to access the US asylum system.**

<https://www.texastribune.org/2024/03/29/texas-disabled-asylum-seekers/>

**The US is at a crossroads on immigration. What should the Catholic Church do next?**

<https://www.ncronline.org/opinion/guest-voices/us-crossroads-immigration-what-should-catholic-church-do-next>

**(Report) "The Lost Economic Impact of DACA Eligible Students in South Carolina" (Clemson University)** <https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:us:0a86a561-33d4-4180-92fc-94f024eaddc5>

**Judge rules bond company must pay \$811 million for defrauding migrants -**

<https://wapo.st/3vFBD3G>

**Immigration is powering the US economy -** <https://time.com/6963553/immigration-u-s-economy/>

### **Action Four: Action**

**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](mailto: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/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97mO9XQRns5BwjnisJ>

**Action Five: Social Media: (@SCOTUS)** The Supreme Court should uphold US Citizen's rights to family unity + due process in spouse's immigration case. **Thank you for your efforts!**