



**July 17 - 23, 2023**

### **What's Happening**

**Number of migrants at border plunges, as Mexico helps US stem the flow - NY Times**

**Immigrant women help fuel boom in US employment - LA Times**

**A third bus of migrants arrives in LA from TX - LA Times**

**IL law requires landlords to rent or sell to noncitizen immigrants - mystateline.com**

**New US border policies endanger migrants, says study - NBC News**

**Oregon expands health insurance for undocumented immigrants - Oregon Capital Chronicle**

**NY implementing protections for undocumented workers - NY1.com**

**Four unaccompanied migrant children have died in US custody this year - CBS News**

**FL law invalidates Delaware driver's license for undocumented - Delaware News Jrnl**

**Employers across Dallas-Ft. Worth rely on guest worker pgms amid labor shortages - Dallas Morning News**

**Immigrant advocates announce fed'l lawsuit against FL's anti-immigrant law - CBS Miami**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view. The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision. We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's. Nothing we do is complete, which is a way of saying that the Kingdom always lies beyond us. We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities. We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest. We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker. We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own. Amen (Bishop Ken Untener of Saginaw)**

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

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell President Biden: No family detention. <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-president-biden-no-family-detention>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Contact your MOC to co-sign the Lift Your Bar Act. [https://act.niic.org/page/51422/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20230420\\_LTBA\\_NILC&ea.url.id=1730645&forwarded=true](https://act.niic.org/page/51422/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20230420_LTBA_NILC&ea.url.id=1730645&forwarded=true)**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the admin and Congress to prioritize refugee resettlement. <https://lutheranimmigrationrefugeeservice.quorum.us/campaign/44866/>**

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell the Biden Admin withdraw the asylum ban -**

[https://act.hias.org/page/54008/action/1?en\\_txn6=MR-EM-FY23-06-asylum\\_ban\\_2023-advoc-full\\_file-1&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=EngagingNetworks&utm\\_campaign=AsylumTransitBan&utm\\_content=230630+AsylumTransitBan+ActionAlert+e1+Remainder&ea.url.id=1854164&forwarded=true](https://act.hias.org/page/54008/action/1?en_txn6=MR-EM-FY23-06-asylum_ban_2023-advoc-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=AsylumTransitBan&utm_content=230630+AsylumTransitBan+ActionAlert+e1+Remainder&ea.url.id=1854164&forwarded=true)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to support asylum seeker work authorization act -**

[https://act.hias.org/page/54296/action/1?en\\_txn6=MR-EM-FY23-07-asylum\\_ban\\_2023-advoc-full\\_file-1&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=EngagingNetworks&utm\\_campaign=230707\\_Asylum-Seeker-Work-Authorization\\_Action\\_Remainder&utm\\_content=230707+Asylum-Seeker-Work-Authorization+Action+Remainder&ea.url.id=1865401&forwarded=true](https://act.hias.org/page/54296/action/1?en_txn6=MR-EM-FY23-07-asylum_ban_2023-advoc-full_file-1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=EngagingNetworks&utm_campaign=230707_Asylum-Seeker-Work-Authorization_Action_Remainder&utm_content=230707+Asylum-Seeker-Work-Authorization+Action+Remainder&ea.url.id=1865401&forwarded=true)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress we support refugees.**

[https://act.oxfamamerica.org/page/53801/action/1?ea.campaigner.email=&en\\_txn7=mass-prospects&en\\_txn9=advocacy&utm\\_campaign=FY24-WRD&utm\\_medium=email&hsmi=263240094&hsenc=p2ANqtz--KuGHovR6z\\_rEJ4OC8yU4eioTe76BIXbpl9tqQ\\_6jHLeDFhTtxQyK4-fi8btOOYzugoGTqBtMDtpi8muaZd44ZUseA&utm\\_content=primary\\_cta&utm\\_source=FY24-0620-Advocacy-OAAF-Miq-e3-sla](https://act.oxfamamerica.org/page/53801/action/1?ea.campaigner.email=&en_txn7=mass-prospects&en_txn9=advocacy&utm_campaign=FY24-WRD&utm_medium=email&hsmi=263240094&hsenc=p2ANqtz--KuGHovR6z_rEJ4OC8yU4eioTe76BIXbpl9tqQ_6jHLeDFhTtxQyK4-fi8btOOYzugoGTqBtMDtpi8muaZd44ZUseA&utm_content=primary_cta&utm_source=FY24-0620-Advocacy-OAAF-Miq-e3-sla)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge your MOC to pass the Afghan Adjustment Act.** <https://p2a.co/nn9fdmu>

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

<https://p2a.co/R7DD4en>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge the Biden admin and legislators to formally end family detention.**

<https://lutheranimmigrationrefugeeservice.quorum.us/campaign/46496/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to pass a pathway to citizenship for DACA now.**

[https://act.nilc.org/page/53665/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20230613\\_DACALookback\\_NILC&ea.url.id=1821168&forwarded=true](https://act.nilc.org/page/53665/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20230613_DACALookback_NILC&ea.url.id=1821168&forwarded=true)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell President Biden to reunite refugee families now.**

<https://refugeerights.quorum.us/campaign/47496/>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress: Support policies to welcome asylum seekers and reject further militarization of the border -**

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/take-action-tell-congress-to-support-policies-that-welcome-asylum-seekers-and-reject-the-further-militarization-of-the-border/>

**Action Three: Education**

**Nonprofits face a wave of help requests as new driver's license law in MA takes effect -**

<https://www.wbur.org/news/2023/07/11/immigrant-license-law-rollout>

**Immigration backlash spreads around the world -** [https://www.wsj.com/articles/immigration-backlashes-spread-around-the-world-142124bc?st=xg1tp84zyfbcxjj&reflink=desktopwebshare\\_permalink](https://www.wsj.com/articles/immigration-backlashes-spread-around-the-world-142124bc?st=xg1tp84zyfbcxjj&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink)

**Canada's new tech talent strategy takes aim at high skilled immigrants in the US -**

<https://www.migrationpolicy.org/news/canada-recruitment-us-immigrant-workers?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=26d1df81-c5f1-4671-84d7-3a392e3f436e>

**New US border policies endanger migrants, says study -** <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-border-policies-are-endangering-migrants-new-report-finds-rcna93706>

**IL law requires landlords to rent or sell to noncitizen immigrants -**

<https://www.mystateline.com/news/local-news/illinois-law-requires-landlords-to-rent-or-sell-to-noncitizen-immigrants/>

**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: (@POTUS) Democracy is facing its greatest threat in years. civil rights are being decimated across the country. It's time to act. Thank you for your efforts!**