



**April 20 - 26, 2026**

### **What's Happening**

**Trump cuts Catholic Church funding for migrant children - Miami Herald**

**Archdiocese of Miami pleads with Trump admin to restore \$11M for Catholic Charities - CBS**

**Ordered free, still locked up: Judges fume over ICE detentions - LA Times**

**US House opposes Trump on immigration, moves to shield Haitians - Wash Post**

**Two immigration judges who ruled against deporting Palestinian rights activists fired - ABC**

**Study finds Trump admin cut legal immigration far more than illegal crossings - PBS**

**As immigrant deaths in custody grow, ICE reduces what details are made public - NBC**

**Judge postpones termination of TPS for Ethiopians in US - CBS News**

**Trump asks Congress to pass 2nd reconciliation bill to fund immigration enforcement - msn.com**

**Many immigrants are afraid to file taxes. It could cost US billions - NY Times**

**Trump admin struggling to deport migrants to unfamiliar third countries - CNN**

**White House looks to Republican-led states for immigration crackdown - NPR**

### **Action One: Prayer**

**Dear Lord, We pray that our world may embrace the peace of Christ through a deeper commitment to the common good. May justice, reverence for all human life, and the dignity of every person guide relationships among nations and be the foundation of lasting peace. Open our hearts to choose dialogue over division and compassion over fear. Strengthen all who suffer from war and injustice and help us be instruments of your peace in our daily lives. Amen. (Franciscan Action Network)**

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

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Congress to take steps to end the war with Iran.**

<https://franciscanactionnetwork.salsalabs.org/endtheiranwar/index.html?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=42ac379e-945e-4485-9534-f84272921b6b>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Don't let Trump close the border to asylum seekers.** [https://civicshout.com/p/don-t-let-trump-close-border-to-asylum-seekers/?link\\_id=2&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-the-petition-dont-let-trump-close-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&email\\_referrer=email\\_3191737&email\\_subject=sign-the-petition-to-stop-trump-from-closing-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&&](https://civicshout.com/p/don-t-let-trump-close-border-to-asylum-seekers/?link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-the-petition-dont-let-trump-close-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&email_referrer=email_3191737&email_subject=sign-the-petition-to-stop-trump-from-closing-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&&)

[https://civicshout.com/p/don-t-let-trump-close-border-to-asylum-seekers/?link\\_id=2&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-the-petition-dont-let-trump-close-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&email\\_referrer=email\\_3191737&email\\_subject=sign-the-petition-to-stop-trump-from-closing-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&&](https://civicshout.com/p/don-t-let-trump-close-border-to-asylum-seekers/?link_id=2&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&source=email-sign-the-petition-dont-let-trump-close-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&email_referrer=email_3191737&email_subject=sign-the-petition-to-stop-trump-from-closing-the-border-to-asylum-seekers&&)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Investigate and shut down Trump's horrific ICE detention centers -**

<https://act.demandprogress.org/sign/ice-prisons-shut-down/?t=5&akid=34958%2E8294413%2EHDT7MI>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to end the cash-for-deportation scheme.**

[https://civicshout.com/p/tell-congress-end-the-cash-for-deportation-scheme?ref=YCa8AXQ&answer%5Bfirst\\_name%5D=Benita&answer%5Blast\\_name%5D=Coffey%20OSB&answer%5Bemail%5D=lbrayerpic2@gmail.com&answer%5Bzip\\_code%5D=606451913&answer%5Bphone%5D=](https://civicshout.com/p/tell-congress-end-the-cash-for-deportation-scheme?ref=YCa8AXQ&answer%5Bfirst_name%5D=Benita&answer%5Blast_name%5D=Coffey%20OSB&answer%5Bemail%5D=lbrayerpic2@gmail.com&answer%5Bzip_code%5D=606451913&answer%5Bphone%5D=)

**NATIONAL LEVEL -Tell Congress to reject any budget packages that slash basic need pgms to pay for ICE and Pentagon.**

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-reject-any-budget-package-that-slashes-basic-needs-programs-to-pay-for-billions-of-dollars-for-ice-and-the-pentagon/?source=group-rfaction&referrer=group-rfaction&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/rfa\\_reject\\_war\\_over\\_needs\\_budget&link\\_id=1&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_3178014&&email\\_subject=tell-congress-to-reject-cuts-to-basic-needs-and-stop-funding-ice-expansion&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\\_3178014](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-reject-any-budget-package-that-slashes-basic-needs-programs-to-pay-for-billions-of-dollars-for-ice-and-the-pentagon/?source=group-rfaction&referrer=group-rfaction&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/rfa_reject_war_over_needs_budget&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_3178014&&email_subject=tell-congress-to-reject-cuts-to-basic-needs-and-stop-funding-ice-expansion&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_3178014)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress - no money for ICE warehouse prisons.**

[https://act.nilc.org/page/96346/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20260410\\_EG\\_WarehouseETT\\_NILC&ea.url.id=4834605&forwarded=true](https://act.nilc.org/page/96346/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20260410_EG_WarehouseETT_NILC&ea.url.id=4834605&forwarded=true)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress NO funding for ICE and CBP**

[https://act.nilc.org/page/95468/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20260318\\_EG\\_DHSETT\\_NILC&ea.url.id=4725446&forwarded=true](https://act.nilc.org/page/95468/action/1?supporter.appealCode=20260318_EG_DHSETT_NILC&ea.url.id=4725446&forwarded=true)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to ensure immigration enforcement respects human dignity and religious freedom for all.**

<https://www.voterveice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/134634/Respond>

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Trump to stop the election power grab**

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/stop-trumps-emergency-plot-to-take-over-elections/?source=direct\\_link&referrer=group-free-speech-for-people&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2fcs-ja-trump-election-takeover&emci=9ebfb7d-011f-f111-9a48-000d3a14b640&emdi=57cf42cc-0b1f-f111-9a48-000d3a14b640&ceid=5256386](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/stop-trumps-emergency-plot-to-take-over-elections/?source=direct_link&referrer=group-free-speech-for-people&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2fcs-ja-trump-election-takeover&emci=9ebfb7d-011f-f111-9a48-000d3a14b640&emdi=57cf42cc-0b1f-f111-9a48-000d3a14b640&ceid=5256386)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Urge Google and YouTube to stop running ICE ads -**

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/google-stop-taking-money-from-ice/?source=group-demand-progress-3&referrer=group-demand-progress-3&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2fend\\_google\\_youtube\\_ice\\_profiteering](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/google-stop-taking-money-from-ice/?source=group-demand-progress-3&referrer=group-demand-progress-3&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/2fend_google_youtube_ice_profiteering)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Tell Congress to keep ICE out of our classrooms -**

[https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-end-the-militarism-in-our-communities/?source=group-just-strategy&referrer=group-just-strategy&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/nc4j\\_end\\_militarism&link\\_id=1&can\\_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email\\_referrer=email\\_3133505&&email\\_subject=tell-congress-keep-ice-out-of-our-classrooms&refcodeEmailReferrer=email\\_3133505](https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-end-the-militarism-in-our-communities/?source=group-just-strategy&referrer=group-just-strategy&redirect=https://secure.actblue.com/donate/nc4j_end_militarism&link_id=1&can_id=03b6cd570a93aeb040c5391b4bcd3e28&email_referrer=email_3133505&&email_subject=tell-congress-keep-ice-out-of-our-classrooms&refcodeEmailReferrer=email_3133505)

**NATIONAL LEVEL - Protect democracy - Tell your Senator to vote NO.**

<https://cwsglobal.org/action-alerts/tell-congress-no-funding-for-lawless-immigration-enforcement/>

### **Action Three: Education**

**DHS could pay local police millions in quieter immigration enforcement approach -**

<https://www.themarshallproject.org/2026/04/11/trump-money-ice-police>

**Study finds Trump admin cut legal immigration far more than illegal crossings -**

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/study-finds-trump-administration-cut-legal-immigration-far-more-than-illegal-crossings>

**After a month of detention, a Venezuelan family self-deports -**

<https://www.texastribune.org/2026/04/16/texas-immigration-detention-dilley-undocumented-self-deportation/>

**ONGOING: BOADVIEW ONLINE FRIDAY ROSARY:** The Rosary prayer conducted every Friday for our immigrant sisters and brothers in detention, deportation and their families, is continuing at 7:15am via Zoom. Sister Rita Specht will be leading the rosary. Feel free to connect beginning at 7AM. Whenever possible, the online community will be connected and pray together with the group at Broadview. **BY VIDEO:** Click [link](#) to join via Zoom video.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83127670921?pwd=aHBRVStiUWxPUWxadjRqQkRXK3A4UT09> **BY PHONE (no changes):** Please Dial 1-312-626-6799 to join the Rosary only by phone. The Mtg ID is 831 2767 0921 and Mtg Password is 321321321

**ICDI Monthly meetings:** Monthly meetings-first Thursday of every month at 12:00pm CT. Meetings begin with a small interfaith reflection and continue with our ICDI staff giving pgm updates. Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsde2spjotHtJBQ97m09XQRns5Bwjnisjl>

**Action Five: Social Media: (@Rep/Sen) Vote NO on Trump's horrific detention centers. These are abusive and inhumane with people dying. Thank you for your efforts!**