

*This is a limited compilation of **CURRENT** opportunities for action. **Additional suggestions are welcomed at:** marynpaul@comcast.net we will make every effort to share them as quickly as possible.*

NOTE: View "Walk the Talk" previous issues at: <http://www.stjilesparish.org/peace-and-justice/>

GUN VIOLENCE

ST. EDMUND CHURCH (Oak Park) Monthly *Prayer Vigil to End Gun Violence* – SATURDAY, January 25th, 6:30 – 7:00 PM "The last Saturday of each month, please join us on the rectory lawn from 6:30 to 7pm for our monthly **Prayer Vigil to End Gun Violence.**"

ILLINOIS GUN LAWS – *what is (and is NOT) covered:* <https://lawcenter.giffords.org/gun-laws/state-law/illinois/>

IMMIGRATION



**INTERFAITH COMMUNITY
FOR DETAINED IMMIGRANTS**

Interfaith Prayer Vigil – February 7th @ 7:15 am - 8:00 am – 1930 Beach St, Broadview (South of the Eisenhower, west of 25th Ave.) "Join us every First Friday of the month for the ***Interfaith Prayer Vigil*** at the Broadview detention center. We gather in solidarity with people who are detained or being deported. People of all faiths are welcome." **NOTE:**

PLEASE KEEP PRAYING FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN DETENTION AND FAMILIES WHO WERE SEPARATED AT OUR BORDERS

Requests from *Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants*

Name	Country	Prayer Request from Kankakee
Youssuf	Mauritania	Please pray for him & his children and for them to be reunited.
Rufus	Cameroon	Pray for him & his court date.
Camilio	India	Pray for his family, children & mother. He's sad as this was his first Christmas not being able to go to Mass.
Delome	Benin	Please pray for his families.
Luis	Mexico	Pray for his mom, inmates, families, brothers, and for his case.
Yulian	Cuba	Pray for his family, daughter, his case, and good news on his appeal.
Orlin	Honduras	Pray for my family, friends, my way back with my wife & kids.
Cesar	Mexico	Pray for my family.
Andres	Mexico	Pray that he can be released soon, and for his wife who also is in detention.
Fidel	Mexico	Pray that all goes well for his family in MX.
Jesus	Mexico	Pray for his family in Chicago and that he can be free soon to be with them.
Vicente	Mexico	Pray for his family & his case.
Jose	Mexico	Pray for his family & that he can be freed.
Maycolh	Nicaragua	Pray for the ICDI volunteers, his family, & all the detained.
Jose	Mexico	Please pray for his son and all those in jail.
Santos	Mexico	Please pray for his daughters in Mexico.
Alberto	Guatemala	Pray for his brother here.
Pedro	Guatemala	Please pray for his wife & daughter in Guatemala, and for God's protection while he is away from them.
Macloni	Guatemala	Please pray for his family, and for his brother.
Nilson	Guatemala	Pray for strength for him, and for purpose in his life.

Saul	Mexico	Pray that I'll get help from a lawyer and be out soon.
Gabriel	Brazil	Pray I'll go home soon, free.
Carlos	Mexico	Pray I'll soon be with my family.
Elvin	Cuba	Pray for him, his wife, his children, his family, and especially his final court.
Javier	Cuba	Pray for him, his wife & daughter & parents, and especially for his case.
Aenhdel	Guatemala	Pray for him, his wife & children, & his case.
Isabel	Mexico	Pray for parents, sister & brothers, and especially court on Jan 7th.
Manuel	Guatemala	Pray for him, his wife & children, and especially his court day on Jan 26th.
Maykel	Cuba	Pray for him, his wife & children, and especially his final court in January.
Fernando	Mexico	Pray for his two kids, his family, and the homeless people who don't have food.
Hilario	Mexico	Pray for his patience, his parents & brothers, his daughters, and for his case to go well so he can hug his daughters.
Roberto	Cuba	Pray for his release to be soon. He signed for voluntary deportation.
Jose	Mexico	Pray for his family & his case.
Roman	Mexico	Pray for his case to succeed in his final court.
Andres	Mexico	Pray for his family & case.
Luis	El Salvador	Pray that my situation turns out well.
Carmelo	Mexico	Pray for his family & his situation.
Dieslau	Poland	Please pray that he can reconnect with his family back in Poland.
Austin	Mexico	Pray for his wife Claudia, Iliana, & Austin.
Raymundo	Mexico	Please pray for all those detained & all who are volunteers from ICDI. Pray for all people who need God in their hearts.
Oliver	Mexico	Pray for him.
Anthony	Belize	Pray for his daughter who is in distress while Anthony is incarcerated.
Mario	Mexico	Please pray for his children ages 2, 5, & 7, that they get continued family support, success in school, and faith in their father's return soon.
	Mexico, Romania, & Belarus	Prayers for their families, the president, for teenagers to learn to be strong in self-respect, and for an overhaul & fairness in the immigration process.
Zima	Poland	Pray for a safe & prosperous return to Poland. Pray for his son's continued success in Rockford, IL, and in the near future a return for a warm visit.
Francisco	Mexico	Pray for his children in Houston, that they be well in his absence.
Rody	Honduras	Pray for his friends & family & legal case.
Arturo	Mexico	Pray for his family, & that his father be well wherever they are. Also pray for his case and all others in this same situation.
Oscar	Mexico	Pray for a blessing on his family this Christmas time and those to come.
Abel	Mexico	Please pray for his parents in MX that God takes care of them & protects them. Pray also for his legal case.
Raul	Mexico	Pray for all in prison & hospitals and in need of God's help.

- ❖ Pray for those being deported, *that they be safe.*
- ❖ Pray for those whose court dates are this week, *that they have a favorable outcome.*
- ❖ Pray for those released from detention and assisted by the ICDI hotline, *that they travel safely and get home to loved ones.*
- ❖ Pray for the unaccompanied immigrant children that we visit in centers in Chicago, *that they be reunited with family quickly and know they are loved.*

- ❖ Pray for the people living in community at the ICDI Housing Cooperative at Catholic Theological Union, *that they adjust well to life in the US and know they are welcome.*
- ❖ And pray for **ICDI** as we search for our next Marie Joseph House location and hire staff, *that the perfect solutions appear soon! And so it is.*

ENVIRONMENT

ONE EARTH FILM FESTIVAL

“PARIS TO PITTSBURGH” - Sunday, March 3, 12:30 to 3 p.m.

St. Giles Catholic Church - McDonough Hall, 2nd Floor, 1101 Columbian, Oak Park “After the film, participate in Q&A with: **Mark Bouman**, *The Field Museum*; **Sergio Alzate**, *ComEd*; *Interfaith Green Network*; and *Food & Water Watch*. Also learn about concrete actions you can take through *Park District of Oak Park*; **Joe O’Krepky**, *Edward Jones*; *Archdiocese of Chicago*, and *Creation Care Team*. Facilitator: **Susan Lucci**, *2Big4Words*; *Co-Founder, Global Purpose Movement*.”

Other films sites: <https://www.oneearthfilmfest.org/films-by-location> (Note: this list is still a ‘work in process’...)

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FARMERS MARKET

2019-2020 Season

Sunday, March 8, 2020 - 1pm-4pm - New Mount Pilgrim

Missionary Baptist Church 4301 W Washington Blvd, Chicago [NOTE: All Link/ SNAP customers can double their Link purchases up to \$25 to buy fruits and vegetables.]

See full calendar **HERE:**

https://www.faithinplace.org/sites/www.faithinplace.org/files/assets/2019%20GTS%20WFM%20Brochure_V5.pdf



- ❖ **Urge Gov. Pritzker to Pass the Clean Energy Jobs Act** “A disastrous new rule issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will increase prices for consumers in northern Illinois and 12 other states. It effectively excludes renewable energy projects in Illinois from competing on the [capacity market](#) and subsidizes dangerous sources of electricity like coal and natural gas.

It is more urgent than ever that we pass the Clean Energy Jobs Act in Illinois. CEJA will reform our capacity market and accelerate our necessary transition to 100% clean energy. Call Governor Pritzker at 415-367-3168 and urge him to pass the Clean Energy Jobs Act.”

- ❖ **Lower Fares and Transfers on the Metra Electric** “Ask your state legislators to support two bills designed to improve service and cut costs for Metra Electric riders. HB3834 and SB2277 will support a Cook County project to better integrate the Metra Electric, Rock Island, CTA, and Pace systems.” [Sign and share the petition from the Coalition for a Modern Metra Electric.](#)

...and more...

THIS Saturday, January 18th – 11am – 1pm (starts in Grant Park @ Michigan & Van Buren)



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Travel with DPOP to Chicago Women's
March

Public · Hosted by Democratic Party of Oak Park - DPOP and
Women's March Chicago

"With so much at stake, 2020 is going to be a BIG year, and together we must #MakeItCount...Bring your friends, family members, voices and signs...and let the world know that Chicago is at the forefront of change!"



oak park area lesbian & gay association • **SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, Feb. 1st @ Greater Chicago Food Depository**



FEB 1 OPALGA Service Day: Feed the Hungry!
Event for OPALGA+ Hosted by Mike Rosanova and OPALGA+

✓ Going ▾ Invite ...

🕒 Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 12:45 PM – 3:45 PM

📍 Greater Chicago Food Depository
4100 W. Ave. Lane Pl, Chicago, Illinois 60632 [Show Map](#)



10th Anniversary - United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week – Thursday, Feb. 6th, Noon-6PM, Chicago Cultural Center (78 E. Washington, 2nd Floor)

"The Parliament of the World's Religions is bringing together interfaith organizations from around the city as part of our Interfaith Partner City Network, a city-based initiative dedicated to identifying interfaith activity in cities around the world and fostering their engagement for a more peaceful, just, and sustainable world. Interfaith Partner City Networks are committed to fostering interfaith understanding, observing UN World Interfaith Harmony Week annually and actively working to foster interfaith action in their communities. The city of Chicago is a historic site for the global interfaith movement..."

<https://parliamentofreligions.org/programs/chicago-interfaith-fair-un-wihw-2020>

HELP PREPARE FOR FAIR ELECTIONS: <https://americansofconscience.com/01-12-2020/>

❖ **Advocate for a federal Election Day holiday this November.** [h/t [Common Cause](#)]

Call: Your one House rep .

Script: "Hi, I live in [ZIP] and I'm part of a [bipartisan majority](#) that supports making Election Day a national holiday to [make it easier for all citizens to vote](#). Can I count on [NAME] to cosponsor [H.R. 294](#), the Election Day Holiday Act of 2019? Thank you. "

❖ **Dismantle barriers to college students voting.** [h/t [Campus Vote Project](#)]

As [voter participation surges among college students](#), they also face [new methods of voter suppression](#). Campus Vote Project and its [Voter Friendly Campus initiative](#) provide support and recognition to campuses that help students register and vote.