

WALKtheTALK

SGFMC Action for Justice News

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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, November 24th, 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**. It is our way of standing against the culture of violence in our country. We also urge legislators to understand the urgency of this issue."



POST-ELECTION Among the bills still pending under the current administration...

SB 337 Combating Illegal Gun Sales Act (aka Gun Dealer Licensing) helps the state prevent the flow of illegal guns from unscrupulous dealers into the hands of dangerous criminals; calls for common sense, industry-wide best practices for gun dealers.

Illinois HB 4469 – VOTING RIGHTS for incarcerated/formerly incarcerated citizens: requires county jails and election authorities to collaborate in creating a process that ensures people on pre-trial (approx. 20,000) can cast their ballot during elections; requires the Illinois Department of Corrections and each county jail to provide eligible citizens released from their custody (approx. 30,000/year) a voter registration application; requires the Illinois Department of Corrections to provide citizens released from their custody detailed information about their voting rights.

Tell our new Governor this legislation matters to you! <https://www.jbpritzker.com/>

IMMIGRATION



Interfaith Prayer Vigil – Friday Dec. 7th, 7:15AM – 8:00AM "Join us every **First Friday of the month** for the Interfaith Prayer Vigil at **Broadview** (1930 Beach Street). We gather in solidarity with people who are detained or being deported." (1 Block WEST of 25th Ave., 1-1/2 blocks SOUTH of I290, between Lexington and Harvard)



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REFUGEE RIGHTS

Speak up for Illinois SB 34 ("VOICES" act) ..."would increase protections for immigrant survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, trafficking, and other offenses. The bill passed the Illinois General Assembly with strong bipartisan support, but Governor Rauner vetoed the measure in August. (The Act provides a standardized path to certification by providing a time frame (90 business days in most cases) for a law enforcement agency to certify that the person is a victim.) When the Illinois Senate reconvened during the fall veto session, it overrode the governor's veto by a bipartisan vote of 40-12. VOICES now goes to the Illinois House during the final week of veto session, November 27-29."

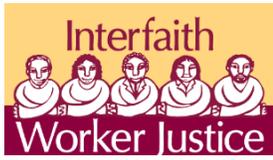
Proposed "Inadmissibility on 'Public Charge' Grounds" The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) proposes to prescribe how it determines whether an alien is inadmissible to the United States under section 212(a)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) because he or she is likely at any time to become a public charge... This proposed rule dramatically expands the definition of what it means to be a "public charge," or someone who immigration officials predict will likely need **any** government support **including Link/SNAP benefits,**

forcing them to choose between providing for their families basic needs (food, shelter, health care,) or obtaining legal immigration status.

Read it **HERE:** <https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=USCIS-2010-0012-0001>

COMMENT HERE before DECEMBER 10th: <https://www.regulations.gov/comment?D=USCIS-2010-0012-0001>

...and more...



US CONGRESS HR3467: Wage Theft Prevention/Wage Recovery Act

http://org.salsalabs.com/o/1035/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=23317

Wage theft is the failure to pay workers the full wages to which they are legally entitled.

How is **\$15 billion** stolen from workers every year?

Pay Stub and Illegal Deductions
Taking illegal deductions from wages or not distributing pay stubs

Overtime and Off-the-Clock Violations
Failing to pay time-and-a-half if working more than 40 hours per week or asking you to work off-the-clock before or after your shift

Meal Break Violations
Denying you your legal meal breaks

Tipped Minimum Wage Violations
Confiscating tips or failing to pay the difference between your tips and the minimum wage

Misclassification Violations
Misclassifying workers as independent contractors to pay a wage lower than legal minimum

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Old St. Patrick's Church

ECONOMIC JUSTICE FORUM: Thursday evening, Dec. 6th, 6:30-8PM – 625 S.

Desplaines, Chicago "Join representatives from North Lawndale and Old St. Patrick's Church for an evening of dialogue and activities emphasizing the powerful role employment plays in addressing poverty and achieving economic justice. Also learn more about the North Lawndale Works campaign sponsored by Old St. Patrick's in collaboration with Cara Chicago and NLEN, two leading workforce development agencies in the City of Chicago." Free parking available after 6 pm in adjacent indoor parking garage. Entrance on South Desplaines Street between Adams and Jackson. Please use green Old St. Pat's ticket machine to park. **Register HERE:**

https://app.espace.cool/PublicEventRegistration/RegisterToEvent?ministryId=12931&scheduleId=1363701&occurrenceId=9328343&fbclid=IwAR3CCqEu4uBhE4TxUpM5TIXgCQ-rf0QVDWvS_pmo7ukZ7qtG8ZpTj3TUFqI

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Prayer Request from Kankakee for 11-19-18</u>
Herbert	Mexico	Please pray for his wife, his children and the that he may gain freedom.
Ramon	Mexico	Please pray for his daughter, Evelyn, for Veronica, and for Ramon Jr. Please pray that he can get his freedom.
Israel	Mexico	Please pray for his wife and for all his family members. Please pray for the sick.
Juan	Chile	Please pray that his court case goes well.
		Please pray that he will be deported soon.

Abel	Mexico	Please pray that he can get bond.
Salvador Rigoberto	El Salvador Mexico	Please pray that he can get bond. Please pray for the mother of his two children. Please pray for his family.
Kevin	El Salvador	Please pray for all detained children and orphans and families who are separate.
Carlos	El Salvador	Please pray for his release under his first appeal.
Jorge	El Salvador	Please pray for his family.
Juan	Mexico	Please pray for his safe return home and rapid return to be back with his family.
Fernando	Mexico	Please pray for his safe return home.
Juarez	Mexico	Please pray that he will be released on November 23rd or soon.
Martin	Mexico	He is going to be deported. Please pray for strength during this time.
Mark	El Salvador	Please pray for his family.
Alfredo	Guatemala	Please pray that all goes well for him at his court hearing.
Maximo	Mexico	Going to be deported. Please pray for him.
Jose	Mexico	Please pray for his father.
Rogelio	Mexico	Please pray for his family, his children, and his friends.
Jose	Mexico	He is going to be deported. Please pray for him.
John	India	Please pray that I receive my documents from India so that I can return to India, my home. I want to go back home.
Jonathan	Mexico	Please pray that I am released and pray for my fiance, Marie, and my wedding.
Donald	Uganda	Please pray that I can overcome obstacles to remaining in the United States. Please pray for me.
Sophann	Cambodia	Please pray for me.

Also, please kindly pray for all those who were recently deported.

Jose M	Eduardo M
James C	Solomon R

Requests from *Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants*