

INTENTIONS FOR THE IMMIGRANT AND IMMIGRATION REFORM
For Parish Use

*Please include these intentions in this week's Prayers of the Faithful.
Please feel free to change or alter these prayers to meet the needs of your community.*

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Pray for immigration reform that provides living wage protections for immigrants and pray that all workers are free from harm, we pray...

Where so many immigrant children fear they have no future in the US, the only country they know, may DREAMers enjoy the freedom of education, hard work and a clear path to citizenship, we pray...

May we address the root causes of unwanted migration, especially poverty and oppression, we pray...

We pray for those who most need our prayer: for the undocumented, for those in the path of war and violence of any kind, for those without nourishment, water, shelter, medical care, or adequate education, we pray...

That the 113th Congress will enact a comprehensive reform of our broken Immigration Law that will include a path to citizenship and the reunification of families, we pray...

That our congress will respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and support Comprehensive and Just Immigration Reform, we pray...

That our Christian Community will realize the importance of the reform of our Immigration Laws and support the efforts of the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in getting moral and just laws enacted, we pray...

That the unjust sufferings of our undocumented sisters and brothers will be brought to an end through our efforts, we pray...

That those families separated by the unjust detention of the undocumented will be consoled by our prayer, we pray...

We pray for all immigrants to our country, especially those persecuted and despised because of their national origin...

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*Por favor, incluya estas intenciones en las Oraciones de los Fieles esta semana. No dude en cambiarlas o alternarlas con aquellas oraciones que mejor se adapten a las necesidades de la comunidad.*

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Recemos por una reforma migratoria que ofrezca salarios justos, protección para los inmigrantes y, también, oremos, para que todos los trabajadores estén libres de accidentes. Roguemos al Señor...

Por los muchos niños inmigrantes viven con miedo de no tener futuro en los Estados Unidos, el único país que ellos conocen, para que los DREAMers puedan disfrutar de la libertad de la enseñanza, el trabajo duro y tengan un claro camino hacia la ciudadanía. Roguemos al Señor...

Que podamos abordar las causas profundas de la migración no deseada, especialmente de la pobreza y la opresión. Roguemos al Señor...

Oremos por todos aquellos que más necesitan de nuestra oración: por los indocumentados, por aquellos que se encuentran en el camino de la guerra y por cualquier tipo de violencia, por aquellos que no tienen alimentos, agua, refugio, asistencia médica o educación adecuada. Roguemos al Señor...

Que la reunión número 113 del Congreso promulgue una Reforma Migratoria Integral, que corrija la ley de inmigración actual, que incluya un camino a la ciudadanía y a la reunificación de las familias. Roguemos al Señor...

Que nuestro Congreso responda inspirados por el Espíritu Santo y apoyen una Justa e Integral Reforma Migratoria. Roguemos al Señor...

Que nuestras comunidades cristianas se den cuenta de la importancia de una reforma de nuestras Leyes Migratorias y apoyen los esfuerzos de la Conferencia Católica de Obispos de los Estados Unidos, quienes desean conseguir leyes justas y morales. Roguemos al Señor...

Que el sufrimiento injusto de nuestros hermanos y hermanas indocumentados, llegue a su fin, a través de nuestros esfuerzos. Roguemos al Señor...

Que aquellas familias separadas por la detención injusta de los indocumentados, sean consoladas por nuestra oración. Roguemos al Señor...

Topic: Children

For the children who are US citizens, but live in fear of broken families because of the undocumented status of their parents, that God may bring them Hope as we work toward conversion of hearts and minds. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the children whose families are broken and separated because of the current deportation system, that God will guide their families to be reunited while we work for reform of the flawed immigration system. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the teens and young adults brought to this country as children and who live in fear and injustice, may God bring them dignity and Hope through all that we do so that they can become good citizens of this country. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the teens and young adults who were brought to this country as children and have now been deported to a country they barely know, that God will be with them and guide them to reunite with their families. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the children of immigrants who continue to live in poverty and fear of separation, that our actions for conversion of hearts and minds will bring them dignity and comfort. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the children of immigrants, brought to or born in this country and suffer the most at the hands of our broken immigration laws, that we remember it is for them that we work for a conversion of hearts and minds and a reform of the laws. Let us pray to the Lord,

Recalling that Our Lord told his disciples to „let the children come to me“, that we may welcome the children of immigrants and work to provide security and dignity to the lives of their families, we pray to the Lord...

For unaccompanied migrant children, that they may be protected from all harm and reunited with loving families, we pray to the Lord.

Topic: Deportees and broken families

For immigrant families, suffering in the shadows from poverty and brokenness, may God bless them and protect them as we all work for a reform of the immigration laws. Let us pray to the Lord,

For immigrant families searching for life and dignity, that they may find it wherever God leads them as we work together for conversion of hearts and minds. Let us pray to the Lord,

For immigrant families living in fear of separation, that they may find Peace and Hope in God’s call to live as one family, sisters and brothers to all, doing God’s will on earth as it is in heaven. Let us pray to the Lord,

For immigrant parents, who have been deported from this country, that their fears for their children are eased and their Hope of reuniting be realized. Let us pray to the Lord,

For those who have been deported from this country, may God bless them and protect them from harm as we continue to work for immigration reform through a conversion of hearts and minds. Let us pray to the Lord,

Topic: DREAMERS and Dream Act

For the immigrant children who have known only this country and work hard at school, that they may know the value of their work through the support of the DREAM Act, we pray to the Lord.

For migrant families, who during their struggles and fear still hold their children accountable for good grades and hard work at school, that their efforts are supported and valued with the passage of the Dream Act, we pray to the Lord.

Topics: Plight of the immigrant: pain, rejection, and fear

For the Immigrant that faces rejection and pain in this country, that they may know the value of their life and work no matter where they live, and that they find a welcoming community here in this country. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the immigrant in search of food, work, and security, that God may guide them and accompany them in their journey. Let us pray to the Lord,

Recalling the fear that the disciples felt after the death of Jesus, may the immigrant in this country come to know the power and strength of the Holy Spirit through our welcoming embrace. Let us pray to the Lord,

That by seeing God's presence more clearly in every human life, we may repent of the ways that we have failed to honor, protect, and welcome that life, including the life of the immigrant, we pray to the Lord...

That the gift of hospitality may fill our families and communities, and shape the way we respond to the undocumented immigrant, we pray to the Lord...

For an end to human trafficking, that the dignity of all of God's children be protected, we pray to the Lord.

For all those who are overwhelmed by loneliness, poverty, and despair, that they may be comforted through our help and kindness, we pray to the Lord.

Topic: Violence at the Border

For those fleeing the violence and corruption in their homelands of Mexico or South America, that they may find safety and security as they search for safety in a new land. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the immigrant families here that worry for the safety of their loved ones back home, that they may be comforted in knowing God accompanies their loved ones and will not leave them alone. Let us pray to the Lord,

For immigrants that face violence and hatred in this country, that they experience God's welcome and love in all we do and that together we may bring about a conversion of hearts and minds and an end to the violence and hatred. Let us pray to the Lord,

For an end to the violence and poverty that displaces so many people from their homes and homelands, we pray to the Lord.

Topic: Immigrant workers in this country

For migrant workers, that they may labor in safe and justice conditions, and that we who benefit from their labor may be truly grateful for what they provide, we pray to the Lord.

For those who labor in the shadows of this country for unjust wages and security, that we may bring dignity to their work through reform of immigration and labor laws. Let us pray to the Lord,

For all that we receive from your bounty, O Lord, including that which we receive through the work of immigrant hands, that we may always remember them and work to bring justice and security to their lives. Let us pray to the Lord,

For the migrants, refugees, and strangers in our midst, that they may find hope in our concern for justice and feel the warmth of our love, we pray to the Lord.

Topic: Conversion & transformation of hearts

That God, who always hears the cry of the oppressed and the immigrant, may enable us to hear those cries and be moved to conversion and transformation, working to reform the unjust immigration laws in this country. Let us pray to the Lord,

As you transform the death of the cross into the resurrection of new life, may you also transform the despair and fear of the life of the immigrant into new life as a member of our community, Let us pray to the Lord,

For a conversion of the hearts and minds of all your people so the discrimination against the immigrant will be transformed into the welcome of all God's people. Let us pray to the Lord,

That as we acknowledge our heavenly citizenship, we may work to be active and effective citizens of our homeland here on earth, we pray to the Lord...

For God's forgiveness for those citizens who have not been welcoming and tolerant of the immigrant in this country, that they may come to realize God's call to welcome Christ in the immigrant. Let us pray to the Lord,

For our community, gathered here today to celebrate our unity under the Lord, and his mother, Mary, that we may come to greater understanding and acceptance of our differences, we pray to the Lord.

That we may all work to convert hearts and change unjust laws that victimize the undocumented, taking courage from the Holy Spirit that empowered the apostles, we pray to the Lord...

That God may bring joy to those who are persecuted as they work to welcome the immigrant and reform the unjust immigration laws in this country, Let us pray to the Lord,

That we may not be afraid to be faithful to Jesus' teachings on the dignity of human life, even if our faithfulness causes some to separate themselves from us, we pray to the Lord...

Let us pray for all the marginalized in our society who like the Samaritan woman are not welcomed or treated with the dignity they deserve as human beings. Let us pray that in all we say and all we do, we treat others with respect and dignity. Let us pray to the Lord,