

Prayer Vigil

Join Catholic sisters, parish communities, and other neighbors in solidarity with those detained and at risk for deportation.

Noon - 1:00 PM Wednesday, October 22

ICE PHILA.
FIELD OFFICE
114 North 8th St.
Phila., PA

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If you can't join us in person, visit <u>1family.us</u> for prayer resources you can use at home.

Questions? justice@ssjphila.org

This local action, coming Wednesday (October 22, 2025) outside ICE at Noon to 1 PM is being planned by several women's religious congregations and NETWORK Catholic Social Justice Lobby PA advocates and New Sanctuary Movement. All are welcome.

It is part of a national Catholic call to action - website is here https://lfamily.us/ with a long list of sponsoring organizations. Local communities are encouraged to organize actions.

RSVP here

- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdAI6H77qY3ClcUTOJ5qrZyliaUT7H ALTziYH5-uAap0vnQ0w/viewform

Please let others know about this

If you have questions please email: justice@ssiphila.org





October 22, 2025 was a sunny Fall Day in front of the ICE Office in Philadelphia where 100 or more Catholics gathered from the city and suburbs to pray, sing and bear witness to injustice.

I saw at least 3 members of the St.
Vincent's NSM committee plus other's from church. Many other familiar people, some gather each Friday at 3 PM to say the Rosary in the same location. A friendly crowd with a clear message, we will not be silent and we oppose the abuse of power targeting our neighbors.

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Catholic Public Witness for Immigrants Prayer Vigil-

SONG: Make Me A Channel of Your Peace (song sheet)

OPENING PRAYER:

Leader: Let us begin with a moment of silence to remember all suffering migrants and Refugees living in our world today.

(Moment of Silence)

O Lord Jesus- who crossed the border between Heaven and Earth in the Incarnation, ... who lived as a child refugee in Egypt, who wandered about Galilee with no place to lay your head - please be here with us today. Help us to pray for migrants and refugees in our world.

Leader: Where there is darkness and despair All: Bring the light of your hope.

Leader: Where there is sadness and crying All: Bring Your gentleness and love.

Leader: Where there is fear and anxiety

All: Bring your comfort and everlasting peace.

Lord, Jesus, raise our minds and hearts to the most vulnerable and marginalized of our human Family. Help us to recognize your Presence in all creation, especially our brothers and sisters cast aside by society. Amen (Adapted from JRSUSA Prayer Service)

SONG: All Are Welcome (Marty Havgen)

LITANY:

Augustine	Ruega por nosotros	Rutilio Grande	Ruega por nosotros
Francis and Clare of Assisi	Rueguen por nosotros	Juan Antonio Lopez	Ruega por nosotros
Ignatius of Loyola	Ruega por nosotros	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Ruega por nosotros
Bernardine of Siena	Ruega por nosotros	Juan Diego	Ruega por nosotros
Frances Cabrini	Ruega por nosotros	Josephine Bakhita	Ruega por nosotros
Catherine McCauley	Ruega por nosotros	M. St. John Fontbonne	Ruega por nosotros
Dorothy Stang	Ruega por nosotros	Rafaela María	Ruega por nosotros
Oscar Romero	Ruega por nosotros	Katherine Drexel	Ruega por nosotros

All you holy men and women pray for us.

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Martin de Porres Rose of Lima John Neumann César Chavez

Ruega por nosotros Theresa Maxis Duchemin Ruega por nosotros Ruega por nosotros Ruega por nosotros

Mary Lange Stanley Rother Maria Kaupus Ruega por nosotros Ruega por nosotros Ruega por nosotros Ruega por nosotros

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SCRIPTURE: Luke 4:16-21

TESTIMONIES: Sister Linda Lukiewski, SSJ/ Peter Pedemonti (New Sanctuary Movement)

SONG: Somos El Cuerpo de Cristo/We are the Body of Christ (song sheet)

INTERCESSIONS: Response - Make us one in your love. Unenos en tu amor.

For immigrants and refugees in our midst, that they may find hope in our voices advocating for laws Respecting the dignity of all. We pray...

For those who languish in prison, here in Pennsylvania, in other states, and in foreign countries, Oppressed by a broken immigration system, that they may receive compassionate treatment. We pray...

For those separated from their families through migration, deportation, or incarceration, that they may be reunited with those who love them. We pray...

For asylum seekers, who seek safety and justice for themselves and their families. We pray...

For those who have been deported and who are fearing deportation. We pray...

For all men, women, and children who are detained without due process. We pray...

For all those in ICE facilities around the country; workers, detainees, and visitors, that all are treated with dignity. We pray...

For cultures and systems that perpetuate profit over people that they experience a change of heart. We pray...

For peace and non-violence in our land, in our hearts, and in the world. We pray...

Moment of Silence

FINAL PRAYER:

Lord, Jesus. Thank you for your Presence among us today. Help us to always see you in the most vulnerable and marginalized among us, especially migrants and refugees. Protect all on their journeys just as you have protected us on ours. Teach us to stand together as One People under you, Our One Lord and migrant God, Jesus Christ. Amen.

CLOSING SONG: Santa Maria del Camino (song sheet)



1) PRAYER of ST FRANCIS/ ORACION de SAN FANCISCO (Sebastian Temple)

Make me a channel of your peace.

Where there is haterd, let me bring your love.

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord.

And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Hazme un instrumento de tu paz. Que lleve tu esperanza por doquier. Donde haya oscuridad lleve tu luz. Done haya pena, fe en ti.

O Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand. To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
In giving of ourselves that we receive.
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

2) ALL ARE WELCOME (Mary Hougen)

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

Let us build a house where prophets speak and words are strong and true, Where all God's people dare to seek and to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus;

ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard And loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace. Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

3) SOMOS EL CUERPO DE CRISTO (Gob Hurd/solme Cortez)

SOMOS EL CUERPO DE CRISTO, WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST.

HEMOS OIDO EL LLAMADO, WE'VE ANSWERED YES TO THE CALL OF THE LORD!

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TRAEMOS SU SANTO MENSAJE, WE COME TO BRING THE GOOD NEWS TO THE WORLD!

- Dios viene al mundo a través de nosotros........ Somos El Cuerpo de Cristo!
 God is revealed when we love one another...... We are the Body of Christ!
 Al mundo a cumplir la misión de la Iglesia...... Somos El Cuerpo de Cristo!
 Bringing the light of God's mercy to others..... We are the Body of Christ!
- Cada persona es parte del Reino......
 Putting a stop to all discrimination....
 Todas las razas que habitan la tierra....
 All are invited to feast in the banquet...
 We are the Body of Christ!
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- 3) Nuestras acciones reflejen justicia........ Somos El Cuerpo de Cristo! Stopping abuse and relleving the hungry...We are the Body of Christ! Vamos al mundo a cuidar su rebaño....... Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo Serving each other we build up the kingdom... We are the Body of Christ!

4) SANTA MARIA DEL CAMINO (Juan Espinosa)

1) Mientras recorres la vida, tu nunca solo estás; Contigo por el camino Santa Maria va...

Ven con nosotros al caminar; Santa María ven. Ven con nosotros al caminar; Santa María ven.

- 2) Aunque te digan algunos que nada puede cambiar, lucha por un mundo nuevo, lucha por la verdad...
- 3) Si por el mundo los pueblos sin conocerse van, no niegues nunca tu mano, al que contigo está...
- 4) Aunque parezcan tus pasos inútiles a caminar, tú vas haciendo caminos; otros los seguirán...

5) COMPANIONS ON THE JOURNEY (Carey Landry)

We are companions on the Journey, breaking bread and sharing life; And in the love we bear is the hope we share, For we believe in the love of our God. We believe in the love of our God.

No longer strangers to each other. No longer strangers in God's house;
We are fed and we are nourished by the strength of those who care, by the strength of those who care.
We have been gifted with each other, and we are called by the Word of the Lord: To act with justice, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with our God....