

150 DAYS OF ACTION

FOR PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM AND REFUGEES

In the year of St Joseph, this campaign was inspired by “the special patron of all those forced to leave their native lands because of war, hatred, persecution and poverty”.

Between now and September, a joint Catholic coalition is working to shape a more just and compassionate response to the thousands of people seeking asylum who have chosen New South Wales as their home and place of safety after fleeing persecution. Many of these people have been denied access to even the most basic services and supports. In addition, over 200 people seeking asylum are still being held offshore in Papua New Guinea and Nauru, and approximately 1,400 people are in onshore detention, including community detention.

As a joint Catholic Coalition, we are calling on the Federal Government to:

1. Provide income support and a financial safety net for all people seeking asylum in Australia
2. End temporary protection visas and create a clear pathway to permanent residency
3. Ensure access to family reunion for refugees and people seeking asylum in Australia



Get Involved...

- Tell people about the campaign and raise awareness in the communities of which you are part.
- Start a deeper conversation in your conference, parish, school or justice group about the need for change, and how you could take action (contact us for resources).
- Connect with other groups locally to consider working together to support practical responses and take advocacy action.
- Organise or participate in a vigil on Migrant and Refugee Sunday (26 September)

Contact social.justice@vinnies.org.au for resources or more information



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