

Pastor's Column

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The Catholic Campaign for Immigration Reform: Justice for Immigrants—Part 4

The issue of immigration reform is once again taking center stage in our country, especially in light of the recent legislation passed by the Arizona Legislature and signed into law by the Governor of that state.

In order to help all of us “wrap our minds” around the complexities of immigration reform, I am including in our Bulletin, for the next few weeks, resources from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) that discuss a wide range of topics related to immigration.

I encourage you to take time to read this information in order to inform yourself as best as possible as our country prepares itself for the upcoming debate on immigration reform.

Whatever viewpoint we may presently have on this issue, we must find ways to come together in order to secure passage of humane and comprehensive immigration legislation.

Included as an insert in this week's bulletin you will find Part 4, *Immigration Basics*.

Part 1, *Catholic Bishops Call for Comprehensive Immigration Reform*, appeared in the June 6 bulletin.

Part 2, *Immigration and Catholic Social Teaching*, appeared in the June 13 bulletin.

Part 3, *Immigration and the Economy*, appeared in the June 20 bulletin.

Copies are available in the Parish Office or on the Parish website: www.stmoside.org; click on *Pastor's Columns*.

Please take time to read these, and please follow along for the next several weeks to read the various USCCB articles that will be given to you to help you reflect upon the official position of the Catholic Church.

Fr. Mike



JUSTICE FOR IMMIGRANTS *a journey of hope*