



## Migrants, Refugees & Seekers of Asylum

*"The Church's social teaching supports the dignity and rights of people on the move and demands that adequate solutions be found for the suffering that forces people to flee their homes. It also demands that governments protect and care for foreigners in their nations."*

Pope Francis

[pope-francis-message-for-2019-world-day-of-migrants-and-refugees](#)

### What the Catholic Church teaches on Asylum & Migration

'I was a stranger and you welcomed me' Matthew 25:35

### 2015-16 SJ Statement - Justice for Refugees and Asylum Seekers

### 105th World Day of Migrants & Refugees/it's not just about migrants

#### **65. Refugees and Australia's Response: Politics, morality and the way forward** David Holdcroft SJ

The Rudd Government has dismantled much of the 'Pacific solution'. But what should Australia's response to refugees be now?

This timely publication by Fr David Holdcroft, former Director of Jesuit Refugee Services Australia, attempts to answer that question and to put it into moral and historical context.

[65. Refugees and Australia's Response](#)

#### **44. The Call to Hospitality: Catholic Teaching on Refugees** Sandie Cornish

The paper opens with an overview of the 1992 Vatican document - Refugees: A Challenge to Solidarity, which provides a systemic presentation of the Church's teachings in this area.

[44. The Call to Hospitality](#)

The following link provides access to articles on the Office for Social Justice website (ACSJC) relating to **Social Justice Issues**.

[ACSJC on Social Justice](#)

*"Society is weakened whenever and wherever injustice prevails."* Pope Francis

# REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

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*“We should work to **accommodate**, to **protect**, to **promote** and to integrate whoever is forced to leave their own home and undergo moments of real difficulty.”*

Pope Francis

*“Resettlement is about integrating refugees from poverty and oppression into a community that has the capacity to provide economic and social opportunities as well as peace and safety.”*

Bishop Gerard Hanna - 2014

### Poverty, Homelessness & Migrants in WA (Report: UNDA - Fremantle)

### A Prayer for Asylum Seekers A Prayer-for-migrant-children

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[www.acmro.catholic.org.au](http://www.acmro.catholic.org.au) (for Resources)

[www.w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/](http://www.w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/)

[www.catholic.org.au/](http://www.catholic.org.au/)

[www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/series-papers/](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/series-papers/)

[www.un.org/en/events/refugeeday/](http://www.un.org/en/events/refugeeday/)

[Pope Francis denounces situation of people forced to escape their country \(video\)](#)

#### **Key Dates:**

<u>20<sup>th</sup> February</u>	World Day of Social Justice
<u>1<sup>st</sup> March</u>	Zero Discrimination Day
<u>21<sup>st</sup> March</u>	Intl Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
<u>20<sup>th</sup> June</u>	World Refugee Day
<u>19<sup>th</sup> August</u>	World Humanitarian Day
<u>25<sup>th</sup> August in 2019</u>	Refugee & Migrant Sunday
<u>Last Saturday in Sept in 2019</u>	Social Justice Sunday
<u>Last Sunday in Aug in 2019</u>	World Day of Migrants & Refugees
<u>16<sup>th</sup> November</u>	Intl Day of Tolerance
<u>10<sup>th</sup> December</u>	Human Rights Day
<u>18<sup>th</sup> December</u>	Intl Migrants Day
<u>20<sup>th</sup> December</u>	Intl Human Solidarity Day



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