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“In this season of reflection and renewal, we are reminded that being a peacemaker is not a passive wish but a courageous choice. We stand firm in the belief that even in the darkest hour, the path to reconciliation remains open to those who seek it.” Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns

Maryknoll Joint Leadership Statement on the US - Israel War on Iran

As the conflict in the Middle East widens and spreads, let us listen with open ears and an open heart to the words offered by our Maryknoll brothers and sisters. It is offered from a place of sorrow but not without hope. You can read it here: <https://maryknollogc.org/2026/03/16/maryknoll-joint-leadership-statement-on-u-s-israel-war-on-iran/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=a87ebb68-dfac-4c45-96b6-4ae09cd1e99a>

Haiti Update

Haiti’s “Gang Whisperer” is Father Richard Frechette, CP, DO.

Listen to learn how Fr. Rick rescues those kidnapped by gangs in Haiti. During the Christmas 2025 holidays, Fr. Rick gave a presentation to our IHM Sisters in Scranton about his ministry. Follow the link below for the presentation.

<https://video.ibm.com/recorded/134646579>

Statement of the US Catholic Bishops in Border States and Beyond

This statement, issued by eighteen of our Catholic Bishops, offers recommendations to our Congress and the administration that will allow enforcement of immigration policies while protecting the human rights of immigrants and their families. Please read the statement and carefully consider its recommendations.

<https://www.ncronline.org/files/2026-02/Bishops-Immigration-Statement%202.24.26.pdf>

Day of Prayer, Fasting, and Advocacy

This is just a reminder to join us either in person or via livestream from Camilla Hall as we pray the Stations of the Cross for Social Justice on Monday, March 30, at 4:00 p.m. See the flyer for the link.

Walking Stations of the Cross

Faithful Philadelphia is leading a Stations of the Cross on April 3rd, Good Friday, at 5:00 p.m. It will begin at the ICE Field Office at 114 N. 8th St. in Center City and will end outside the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. See the attached flyer.

Prayer

Below is a link to the Ecological Way of the Cross, produced by the IHM EarthCARE Committee.

This comes from Donna Korba, Scranton, IHMs.

Thanks to the EarthCARE Committee and Jan Novotka for her music.

<https://video.ibm.com/recorded/132664032>

Action

Sign the Petition on the Advocacy Day. / Pray one of the special Stations of the Cross.