

Respect Life Week: Resources for Youth Nights

Topic: Immigration

Opening Prayer: Select one of these [Collected Prayers for Immigrants](#).

Intro: Leader introduces topic of immigrants and refugees. This [USCCB website](#) may provide helpful resources for explaining the Catholic perspective on immigration.

- [Catholic Social Teaching 101: Life and Dignity of the Human Person](#) 3.5 minute video from the US Bishops with interviews from Bishop Barron, Jonathan Reyes, and Helen Alvare. Fantastic introduction to understanding the dignity of every person and deciding what must be our personal response and a global response to injustice.

Simulation and Reflection:

- Catholic Relief Services has developed an excellent 50-minute simulation, debrief, and reflection titled [On the Move](#) to help youth understand the refugee experience.

Activity:

- Contact your local [refugee resettlement agency](#) to ask if they would be open to your group making “welcome to the USA cards” or donating other needed items. If they are in need of donations, spend this time making a plan with youth for how they will collect and deliver the items.

Closing Prayer: You may want to reflect with a song such as [“Come As You Are”](#) by David Crowder or [“Give Me Your Eyes”](#) by Brandon Heath. Invite youth to offer prayers aloud for immigrants and refugees, concluding with an Our Father or Hail Mary.