

Refugee Week 17-23 June 2024

Refugee Week is an annual festival celebrating refugees across the UK. The festival allows refugees to share their stories and experiences, whilst allowing the wider community to better understand the issues affecting refugees across the UK.

This year's theme is **'OUR HOME**' and CSAN has a number of resources, projects and events you can engage with:

Monday

REFUGEES WELCOME

Join **Bishop Paul McAleenan** in front of the Home Office (SWIP 4DF) for a **prayer vigil** at **12.30pm**.

Log online at 7pm and join Father Hudson's Care & Caritas
Salford to hear what is happening across their Dioceses for Refugee Week:
https://shorturl.at/JE6Au

Tuesday

DONATE

Support **JRS UK** as they take to the streets on 18th June as part of the **London Legal Walk** to raise funds for their in-house Legal Aid project.

Learn more about their work and donate via their site:

https://www.jrsuk.net/londonlegal-walk/

Wednesday

CELEBRATE

SJOG Homes For Ukraine are marking the end of their project with a gathering to celebrate the projects successes.

You are invited to join us on 19th June at 5pm, at the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family in London.

Register online:

https://t.co/T6gMTyKHHX

Thursday

SIMPLE ACTS

We encourage you to take part in one small act this week to show your support. Visit the Refugee Week site for some examples:

https://refugeeweek.org.uk/simple-acts/

CSAN has published a **Do Justice** resource with a list of actions you can take:

https://dojustice.co.uk/resourc es/downloads/

Friday

WHAT IS HOME?

What does HOME mean to you? How can we sow seeds of change and protect our global home?

St Vincent's Centre in Newcastle will be exploring this throughout the week with a number of free events.

Share your thoughts with us on our socials: https://x.com/CSANonline #RefugeeWeek #OurHome

Saturday

JOIN THE MOVEMENT

CSAN supports <u>Together With</u>
<u>Refugees</u>, with whom we are
collectively calling for a fairer and
more humane asylum system.

See our **Love the Stranger call- to-action** to see how you can help advocate and campaign to uphold the human dignity of those seeking sanctuary:

https://www.csan.org.uk/lovethe-stranger-call-to-action/

Sunday

PRAY

The <u>Pope's prayer intention</u> for June is for those who are fleeing their own countries:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=dCMyBxoalqA&t=82s

This Refugee Week, as we celebrate those who have made the UK their home, we pray for those who are forced to flee and those who have lost their lives whilst seeking sanctuary.