



CAPSA

**National Week of Prayer and Action
16-23 June 2019**

Let's make 'a fair process for people seeking asylum'

This means:

- We process people seeking asylum while they live in the community
- Claims for asylum need to be assessed promptly with respect for human dignity
- There is access to avenues for fair appeal.
- There are supports for people while they wait for their application to be processed

Join Schools, Parishes and Organisations from across the country!

This week is an opportunity for the Catholic community to join together around the country to pray and be involved in coordinated direct action asking for a fair process for people seeking asylum, and for compassion and respect for the dignity of each person to be front and centre of Australian attitudes, policy and processes.

Register today!
[www.capsa.org.au/
nwpa-2019/](http://www.capsa.org.au/nwpa-2019/)

Compassion for the stranger who has fallen on hard times is at the heart of Jesus' life and message. Pope Francis has made care for people seeking asylum central for the Catholic community. He has visited camps, begged for refugees to be given a home and prayed at places where they have suffered. We hope to shape a Catholic community united in this kind of compassion.

Our current system is seeing many who are seeking asylum put through avoidable hardship and suffering — both the thousands in our communities who are stuck in limbo for years while being processed, as well as the hundreds in offshore processing and onshore detention centres. With a recent newly-elected government, this is an important time to be a strong voice for compassion for people seeking asylum.

For prayers and resources for action go to:
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