

Be part of the national PALM SUNDAY action calling for Justice and Freedom for Refugees

End Detention Permanent Visas Safe and secure futures

Palm Sunday (April 10) is an important opportunity to raise awareness of the continuing injustice and cruelty experienced by refugees and people who are seeking asylum. This year **Palm Sunday actions are calling for:**

- Release of ALL refugees from detention #SetThemFree #TimeForAHome
- Permanent visas and family reunion for all refugees #PermanentVisas
- Fair and timely assessment of all claims for refugee status
- The right to work and access to Centrelink benefits for all refugees and people seeking asylum
- Ensuring that people still held on Nauru and in PNG have safe resettlement options either here in Australia or in New Zealand

There are lots of ways you can get involved!

- Attend the Justice for Refugees Webinar check details on ARAN website after 15 March
- Follow the <u>Speaking Up for Refugees</u> FB page and share posts on your own social media use hashtags **#justice4refugees #SetThemFree #PermanentVisas #GameOver**
- Post your own messages of support on your social media page. If you don't use social media send a message of support for posting on the Speaking up for Refugees FB page to palmsundayrefugeemessages@gmail.com
- Lobby your local MP see background information on the issues at https://aran.net.au/palm-sunday-2022/
- Take the online actions suggested at https://aran.net.au/palm-sunday-2022/
- Attend an action on Palm Sunday. See listing of actions on the <u>https://aran.net.au/palm-sunday-2022/</u>.
- Organize your own event let us know about your event by emailing palmsundayrefugeemessages@gmail.com. See ideas for local events and resources to help publicize your event at <u>https://aran.net.au/palm-sunday-2022/</u>
- Faith groups can remember refugees in services on (or around) Palm Sunday. Some churches are planning special services, and some will also ring their bells for refugees. Download a poster and signage about bell ringing at https://aran.net.au/palm-sunday-2022/. Let us know what your church will be doing to support Justice for Refugees on Palm Sunday by emailing palmsundayrefugeemessages@gmail.com

Resources and more info are available on the Palm Sunday page of the ARAN website https://aran.net.au/palm-sunday-2022/

- Graphics and Templates
 to promote your activities and social media posts
- Talking points - to support your lobbying activities
- Background material - for media articles, etc
- Making your own video for social media tips for making a good quality video clip on your phone.

#justice4refugees #SetThemFree #PermanentVisas Stand up for Decency

If you have queries email <u>austrefugeenetwork@gmail.com</u> or call 0409 252 673.