

As Dehonians we continue to see the pain, isolation, and suffering of our migrant sisters and brothers and their children. Their struggles have been intensified by the COVID 19 pandemic and by the lack of comprehensive and compassionate immigration policies in the United States and Canada.

In his September 27 Message for the 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, Pope Francis writes *“this is not a time for forgetfulness. The crisis we are facing should not make us forget the many other crises that bring suffering to so many people”* an often unseen tragedy that the global crisis caused by the pandemic has only exacerbated.”

Witnessing this has led us, the North American Migration Committee of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, to ask ourselves how we can possibly respond. One of the ways we chose to respond is to offer the brochure **“Restoring Human Dignity”** to encourage us, as Pope Francis writes to be *“Welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating [of] internally displaced persons”*.

You will see that the brochure follows the process *“See, Judge, Act”*, common both in Catholic Social Teaching (CST) and in our own Dehonian tradition. It has been translated into the languages in which we minister in North America to facilitate it being shared with those we minister.

We invite you to read the brochure, spend some time with it, share it with the people with whom you minister, post it on your webpage, in your bulletins, in your newsletters, make it available and accessible to all.

Joining together we can help to make a difference in restoring human dignity!

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