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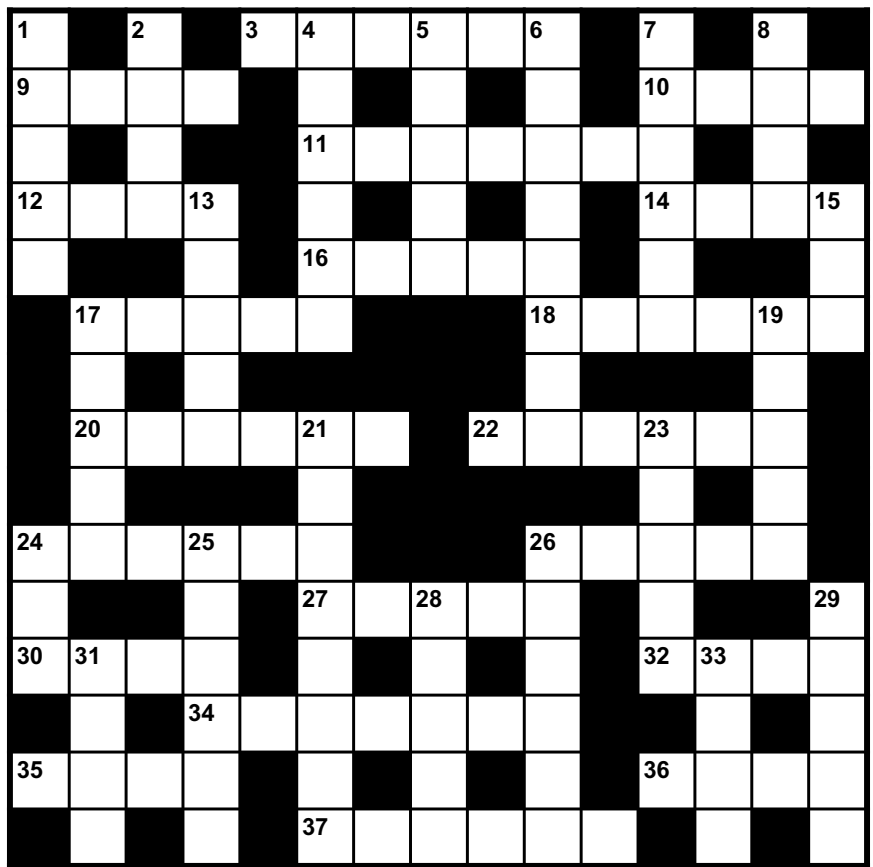
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 16 Ishmael, to Jacob
 17 Amos' vision of a line (Am 7:7)
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 26 Exodus leader
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 5 St. Juan Diego, for example
 6 Bread and Wine
 7 "...am I my brother's ___?" (Gen 4:9)
 8 "By the sweat of your ___

..." (Gen 3:19)
 13 In Mt 12:25, Jesus said this divided could not stand
 15 Birds of the air don't do this (Mt 6:26)
 17 John, Paul and John Paul
 19 Patriarch respite, perhaps
 21 Honorary title for a bishop
 23 Commits a capital sin
 24 "...for ___ and tooth for..."

(Ex 21:24)
 25 Paradise
 26 St. ___ de Porres
 28 "...___ one another with a holy kiss" (1 Cor 16:20)
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 31 Sub ___ (secret appointment)
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 L ___ N
 B ___ N
 G ___ N There may be more than possible answer!

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Margie Lynn Wondra, 64, of Holy Family Parish, Odin, died Dec. 22, 2011. She is survived by her husband, Ambrose Wondra; son, Mike; daughters, Mellisa Miller and Mindy Burkhalter; brothers, Larry Miller and Bob Miller; sister, Val and Dale Heinze; and five grandchildren, Morgan and Brooke Miller, Andy, Aubrie and Allie Burkhalter.

Patrick J. Schartz, 66, of St. Joseph Parish, Ellinwood, died Dec. 20, 2011. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen A. Heinz; daughter, Jennifer Theede; son, Patrick; sister, DeSales Feist; brother, Thomas; and grandchildren, Ryan, Erin, Carter and Ava.

Sharon "Jean" Louise Royer, 52, of St. Ann Parish, Olmitz, died Dec. 19, 2011. Survivors include son, John Curtis; daughter, Kristen Royer; father, Marvin Schneider; brothers, John and Steve; sisters, Donna Huff, Don Bradbury, Rita Pivonka, Karen Pechanec, Susan Myrick, and Paula Tammen; a grandson, Mason Royer; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Leroy Urban Gerber, 65, of St. Dominic Parish, Garden City, died Dec. 21, 2011. He is survived by his wife, Dolores "Dodie" Hahn; children, Bruce, Sam and Jason Gerber, and Gina Halksworth; sisters, Rosalie Purdy, Eileen Meurer and Diane Bryan; and five grandchildren.

Cletus J. Uhrich, 81, of Prince of Peace Parish at St. Patrick, Great Bend, died Dec. 19, 2011. He is survived by his wife, Delores L. Strecker; son, Galen; daughters, Cynthia, Rebecca, Roxane, Melanie and Andrea; two sisters; a stepson; two stepdaughters; and many grandchildren.

Cleta Parker (Rollins) Marine, 92, of St. John the Apostle Parish, Kiowa, died Dec. 20, 2011. Survivors include son, Gary; grandsons, Steven and Russell; granddaughter, Cynthia Lynn Dewey; and many great-grandchildren.

Wanda N. Torrez, 84, of Great Bend, died Dec. 24, 2011. Survivors include a son, Jack E. Love; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Claretta Elizabeth (Witthuhn) Pfannenstiel, 85, of Sacred Heart Parish, Ness City, died Dec. 24, 2011. Claretta was the owner of Ralph's Supermarket and Mini Super Mart in Ness City. She was a longtime organist at Sacred Heart Church, a member of Sacred Heart Altar Society, as well as community service organization Epsilon Sigma Alpha, and was a founding member of the Ness County chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. She is survived by her children: Mike Pfannenstiel father of Amanda (Bruce) Buehe, Ness City, Matt (Kelsey) Pfannenstiel, McPherson, Keith (Amanda) Pfannenstiel, Greeley, Colorado parents of Benjamin and Noah; Mark and Sara Pfannenstiel parents of Lindsey (Josh) Watkins, White Plains, MD parents of Brynn, Dakota, and Madison, and Lauren Pfannenstiel; Josh Crombie), Ness City; Monty and Susan Pfannenstiel parents of John and Summer, Ness City; Marcia and Mike Pritchett parents of Michael and Mac, Hutchinson; Myra and Tom Lindeman parents of Emily and Katie, Wichita. Other survivors include her sister, Bernice Moore, Bazine.

Barbara Ann Shelden, 67, of St. Mary Parish, Garden City, died Dec. 31, 2011. She is survived by her husband, Ted Shelden; sons, Russell and Michael; a daughter, Teddi Shelden; her mother, Alberta Miller; a sister, Louise Miller; a brother, Al Miller; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Marvin F. Basgall, 78, of Prince of Peace Parish at St. Patrick, Great Bend, died Dec. 30, 2011. Survivors include his wife, Wanita "Sandy" Basgall; son, Gary; daughters, Pam Corkins and Shelly Drees; sisters, Vera Bellendir and Boots Maltby; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Ruth M. Immenschuh, 97, of Prince of Peace Parish at St. Rose, Great Bend, died Dec. 30, 2011. Survivors include sons, Dick, David and Brian; son-in-law, Everett Jones; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and two step-grandsons.

Robert A. "Bobby" Romme Jr., 52, of Liberal, died Nov. 24, 2011. Survivors include his parents, Robert F. and Vernetta A. Urban Romme; brother, Larry and wife Kelly; and sisters, Roberta and Danny Skinner, Fran and Kenny Andrews, and Lori and Ben Osborn.

Juan B. Mares, 86, of the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Dodge City, died Jan. 2, 2012. Survivors include son, Jose; daughter, Maria Ortega; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Reed Kolbeck, 50, of the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Dodge City, died Jan. 2, 2012. Survivors include his parents, Delmer C. and Marie J. (Vogel) Kolbeck; daughters, Casie Kolbeck, Nikki Kolbeck, and Samantha Elliott; brothers, Kent and Rick; and sisters, Doris Meng, Kathy Denhardt, Kay Kolbeck, and Suzie Bollig.

Robert "Bob" Shanks, 69, of Prince of Peace Parish at St. Rose of Lima, Great Bend, died Jan. 3, 2012. He is survived by his wife, Lorraine Andrusek; a son, Robert Jr.; daughters, Deanna Eldridge and Sandy Clanton; a brother, Danny; sisters, Janice Battin, Elaine Shanks and Kathy Shanks; seven grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Wally L. Schweitzer, 57, of St. Aloysius Parish, Ransom, passed away Jan. 7, 2012. He had worked at the Ransom coop for nearly 40 years and was an avid motorcycle enthusiast. He is survived by his wife, Tammy; his son, Zachary; daughter, Lindsay Flax; three sisters, Betty Atkinson, Cindy Berry, and Anna Mae Klitzke.

Elena Nevarez, 57, of Mary, Queen of Peace Parish, Ulysses, died Jan. 7, 2012. Survivors include her husband, Vicente Uranga; sons, Edward, David and Jose Luis Nevarez; daughters, Elena Nevarez and Linda Galindo; mother, Aurelia Espinoza; brothers, Enrique and Samuel Espinoza; sisters, Alma Espinoza and Rachel Espinoza; 12 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Charles E. Snyder, 90, of St. Michael Parish, La Crosse, died Jan. 5, 2012. He is survived by his wife, Marcella; daughters, Christine Kolb and Connie Yehle; four grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two nieces.


Raymond Sanchez Jr., 44, of St. Theresa Parish, Dighton, died Jan. 5, 2012. Survivors include his parents, Ramon and Carolina Sanchez; a brother Johnny Sanchez; a sister, Lenora Young; four nieces and four nephews.

Ricky Don Sanchez, 37, of St. Theresa Parish, Dighton, died Jan. 5, 2012. Survivors include: a son, Brandon Barton; his parents, Ramon and Carolina Sanchez; a brother, Johnny Sanchez; a sister, Lenora Young; four nieces and four nephews.



Marjorie A. (Bogner) Hageman, 68, of the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Dodge City, died Jan. 9, 2012. Survivors include a son, Kenneth; a daughter, Connie Littrell; a brother, Jerome Bogner; sisters, Judy Dockendorf and Arlene Busch; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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This saint is mentioned in two Gospel narratives, one of which traces his lineage back to King David. Although he is one of the most illuminated saints, he never utters a single word in the two narratives in which he is mentioned.

He has been described in the Gospels as a *tekton*, which, roughly translated, means one who works with wood, stone or metals. Some scholars maintain that he was a general village craftsman, working on a wide variety of projects. He, in fact, has become the patron saint of workers.

But he is more widely known for something far greater than working with wood or stone.

The saint's age is never mentioned in the narratives, and is only later discussed by James, who suggests that he was a senior citizen when the event took place for which he is discussed in the narratives.

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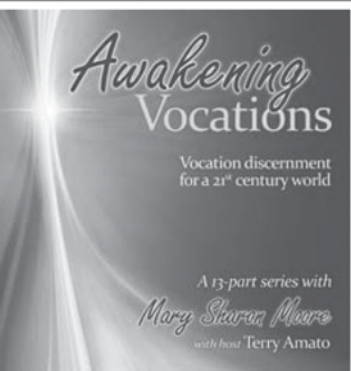
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Dominican Sisters of Peace urge 'comprehensive immigration reform'

Sisters call for 'viable, legal avenues' to reunite families, legalize undocumented persons, provide opportunities for permanent residency

The Dominican Sisters of Peace, which include more than 600 Sisters and 500 associates in 39 states and six countries, have approved a corporate stance on immigration reform that states:

"We, Dominican Sisters of Peace, call for comprehensive immigration reform that would provide additional viable legal avenues for immigration, reunite families, legalize undocumented persons, and establish opportunities for permanent residency."

Through this statement, the Sisters join their voices with many other religious congregations, faith traditions, justice organizations, and more (including the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) to express great alarm over the broken immigration system in the United States.

An indicator of the primacy and urgency the Dominican Sisters of Peace place on the issue of immigration reform, this is the first corporate stance undertaken by the congregation, which was established in 2009.

Among others, preliminary actions planned in the name of immigration reform include efforts to debunk myths about and work to pass immigration reform legislation, including attempts to resurface legislation similar to the defeated Dream Act bill.

The Dominican Sisters of Peace have a working Immigration Reform Committee that will help develop further specific action steps in the coming months.

[A corporate stance is a deliberate public statement by a congregation expressing a position on an issue of human concern, gospel values, and/or societal systems. Before the congregation takes a corporate stance, members prepare by studying, discussing, and praying about all sides of the various issues involved; a vote is then taken, with a two-thirds majority needed to pass. Once a corporate stance is passed, the congregation commits resources to act on behalf of the stance.]

"We see immigration reform as a humanitarian issue that has an impact on basic human rights and the dignity of the human person," states Sister Judy Morris, OP, Justice Promoter for the Dominican Sisters of Peace.

"Legislative reform is in everyone's best interest, even for those who are focused only on economic concerns."

She shares that, according to the National Academy of Science, Center for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern University (Boston), immigrants fill jobs in a variety of sectors, start their own businesses, and contribute to growth in our economy.

"We join our voices with those who believe that immediate attention should be given to providing opportunities for the education of undocumented young persons brought to the United States as children," proclaims Sr. Robin Richard, OP, chair of the congregation's Immigration Reform Committee.

Citing one effort that she says should be renewed, Sister Robin explains that the Dream Act had two major provisions: (1) it would have created a tiered system granting legal status to unauthorized aliens who arrived in the United States before age 16; and (2) it would have repealed current law so as to allow public universities to grant in-state tuition to unauthorized aliens without similarly having to offer in state tuition to certain U.S. citizens.

"Although this bill did not pass, we believe this legislation needs to resurface in a form that achieves its original purpose," she shares. "It is a good beginning towards comprehensive immigration reform."

One of the main goals of the congregation is to replace myths regarding immigration with facts. "Long-standing injustices concerning immigrants need to be replaced by just legislation," explains Sister Judy.

"Both the Hebrew and Christian scriptures draw us to stand with the 'stranger and aliens,' the poor and outcast. This new corporate stance will help us to stand in solidarity with immigrants, acting on their behalf with the strong voice of our full congregation."

The Dominican Sisters of Peace are a congregation of more than 600 Dominican Sisters and 500 Dominican Associates who live and minister in 36 States and in Honduras, Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, Peru, and Vietnam.

They are committed to greater involvement in the global community and simplicity of life, with diverse ministries that include education, health care, social work, spiritual direction, and parish-based ministries, among others.

For more information on the congregation, see www.oppeace.org.



Dominican Sisters of Peace actively promote immigration reform through public demonstrations, in addition to contacting members of congress and other efforts.



Kansas native Sister Gemma Doll, OP, a member of the Leadership Team of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, speaks on immigration reform at a rally on the steps of the State House in Columbus, Ohio. She served previously as the Director of Hispanic Ministry for the Catholic Diocese of Dodge City.



CNS photo/Kim Nguyen, Catholic Sentinel

Oregon family struggles with immigration drama

CNS -- A Guatemalan man who won a reprieve from deportation was able to board a plane to visit his wife, who had been sent out of the U.S. five years ago. Luis Diaz fought to stay in Oregon to care for his young Portland-born daughter and will be able to return freely. Jennifer Diaz, 17, went along on the trip with her father to see her mother for the first time since she was 11.

Before departure at Portland International Airport, Diaz was happy and nervous, wearing a bracelet his wife had given him. He got help with travel costs from Mano a Mano, an organization that has been supported by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

The couple fled Guatemala in 1993 because of civil war and resulting economic instability. During Diaz's appeals before immigration officials, the prospect of being deported and either leaving his daughter or taking her to a developing nation where she would be a stranger, inspired him to fight against the odds.