National Lament

"We are a society which has forgotten how to weep." - Pope Francis

Following the recent incident on Manus Island, the death of one person and the injury of many Catholic Religious Australia is inviting you to participate in a “National Lament” - a campaign of prayer, penance and action for people seeking asylum in Australia. We are seeking to make a Christian response to these people, rather than treating them as a “problem” to be solved.

The National Lament will have 2 parts:

Part 1 Engaging in prayer, penance and action for people seeking asylum in Australia

• Making Friday in Lent a day of prayer and penance for people seeking asylum
• Continuing this practice after Lent through to the Ascension
• Writing to one’s local Federal member and to the Minister, Scott Morrison, expressing our lament for people seeking asylum in Australia

Part 2 Engaging in a Week of Prayer and Prophetic Presence during Ascension to Pentecost, 1 to 8 June 2014

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