

Archdiocese of Detroit

News Advisory

To: News Editors and Assignment Desks

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RE: Immigrant Workers Freedom Ride Comes to Detroit

Dates: Saturday and Sunday, September 27-28, 2003

The Immigrant Workers Freedom Ride Project, inspired by the Freedom Riders of the Civil Rights Movement, will stop in Dearborn and Detroit on Saturday and Sunday, September 27th and 28th.

Buses carrying legal and illegal immigrants set out from eight major cities in late September and are stopping in 100 cities to promote immigrants' rights. They will converge in Washington, D.C., on October 1st and 2nd to meet with members of Congress. The final stop is New York City, where a mass rally is planned on October 4th.

A rally to greet the Chicago contingency will be held on Saturday, September 27th, at 5 p.m. at the Arab Community Center (ACCESS) located at 2541 Saulino Court in Dearborn. A benefit dinner will follow at the UAW Local 600 (10550 Dix) in Dearborn at 6 p.m.

A multi-cultural church service will be held on Sunday, September 28, at Ste. Anne Church, located at 1000 Ste. Anne, (near the Ambassador Bridge), in Detroit, at 10 am. For more information, contact Horacio Vargas, Jr. at (313) 664-2058, or log on to <http://www.iwfr.org>.

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