

# RECOMMENDATIONS

01.



1. PLACE A SIGN AT ALL PLACES CONSIDERED TO BE PRIVATE PROPERTY. THE SIGN SHOULD STATE: THIS IS A PRIVATE PLACE OF WORSHIP AND PRIVATE PROPERTY.

02.



1. HAVE DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES WHO WILL INTERACT WITH THE ICE AGENT(S). INTERACTIONS WOULD INCLUDE:

- Greeting the agent at entrance of the church
- Determining the purpose of their visit
- Obtain proper credentials and documents
- If the agents decide to proceed with the search, seizure, or arrest, the interaction should be recorded on video.
  - i. **During Mass:** additional designated people, preferably the ushers, should pull out their phones and record the interaction. From a safe distance, they should ask the following 2 questions:
    - 1. What is your Name?
    - 2. Can you give me the phone number of a loved one to notify?
  - ii. **In parish parking:** If federal agents attempt to detain someone fleeing **DO NOT** interfere. From a safe distance, ask the questions above.

03.



IDEAL CANDIDATES TO BE SELECTED FOR INTERACTION WITH ICE AGENTS ARE:

- Members of the parish who have a legal background (attorneys, paralegals, court reporters).
- Members of the parish who have worked in law enforcement
- Members of the parish who consistently serve at Mass (ushers, greeters, ministry leaders)

04.



CONDUCT BRIEF TRAINING WITH THE SELECTED REPRESENTATIVES.

05.



IF AN ICE/CBP AGENT SHOWS UP AT YOUR PARISH, CONTACT THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE DURING OR AFTER THE INTERACTION:

• Msgr. Lopez

• John Andrews

• Wilfredo Aguirre