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Special greetings:

[...] This coming Saturday is the World Day for Refugees, sponsored by the United Nations. Let us pray for the many brothers and sisters who seek refuge far from their land, who seek a home where they will be able to live without fear, that they might be ever respected in their dignity. I encourage the work of those who bring them aid and I wish for the international community to act unanimously and effectively to prevent the causes of forced emigration. And I invite all of you to ask forgiveness for the people and institutions who close the door to these people who seek a family, who seek protection.[...]