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## October 2020

Dear Friend,

ICNY has one message this month. In New York State, early voting begins on October 24, 2020. [Find your polling station here.](#)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chloe Breyer".

Rev. Dr. Chloe Breyer  
Executive Director



The 38th Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer Retreat For Social Justice

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# The Climate Crisis and New York Faith Communities

October 8, 2020

Register Today

*We hope you can join the conversation  
with our diverse panelists.*



**Imam Saffet Catovic**  
Co-Founder and Chair  
Green Muslims of New Jersey



**Rick Chavolla**  
Board Chair  
American Indian Community House



**Gopal D. Patel**  
Co-Founder and Director  
Bhumi Global



**Rabbi Jennie Rosenn**  
Founder and CEO  
Dayenu: A Jewish Call  
to Climate Action



**Karenni Gore**  
Founder and Director  
The Center for Earth Ethics at  
Union Theological Seminary



**Peggy Shepard**  
Co-Founder & Executive Director  
WE ACT for Environmental  
Justice



**Daniel Zarrilli**  
Chief Climate Policy Advisor  
and OneNYC Director  
NYC Office of the Mayor

Thursday, October 8th, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm EDT

Register Now

## Ethical Call to Action on Climate Policy by Karenni Gore

Ethics is simply about right and wrong  
and as a field of thought, it is most  
powerful when a widely held, deep  
sense of right and wrong is out of step  
with both laws and social norms...

[Read More](#)

## Ethical Call to Action

Karena  
Gore



### Lawyering and Religious Diversity CLE Symposium

October 13 & 14



Join New York Law School, the Interfaith Center of New York, and the New York State Bar Association for a two-day CLE symposium on lawyering and religious diversity.

Speakers will include attorneys, faith leaders, and other experts on religious diversity, social justice, human rights, and the law. Judge Robert Katzmann of the Second Circuit of the US Appeals will speak. Panel discussions will explore the role of religious diversity in legal practice, as well as the legal issues facing religiously diverse New Yorkers – including family law and employment discrimination.

[RSVP Here](#)

# Thrive Mental Health Toolkit for Faith and Community Leaders

## Mental Health Toolkit for Faith and Community Leaders

Learn about mental health and why it matters  
Understand how the COVID-19 crisis may affect  
the mental health of your faith community  
Take action to care for your own mental health  
Take action to support the mental health of your  
faith community



The COVID pandemic has taken a terrible toll on the mental health of New Yorkers, with increasing social isolation, stress, anxiety, depression, grief, and trauma.

The Interfaith Center of New York, New York Disaster Interfaith Services, and the Mayor's Office of ThriveNYC have created a *Mental Health Toolkit for Faith and Community Leaders*, to help faith leaders understand how the pandemic may affect the mental health of their communities, and help them take concrete steps to support community wellbeing.

[Download Toolkit](#)

[\*And use our Faith & Mental Health Social Media Kit to share it!\*](#)

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## Community Events

### Candlelight Vigil for Domestic Violence Survivors


October 27



**TURNING POINT FOR  
WOMEN AND FAMILIES**  
*invites you to a*


# Candlelight Vigil

*for survivors of  
domestic violence*



**October 27th  
4:00 PM**  
**Location: Virtual**

RSVP  
aferdoush@tpny.org  
718-262-8722



Turning Point for Women & Families' third annual Candlelight Vigil will be a virtual event to honor survivors, to spread domestic violence awareness, and to offer a platform for the community to share some healing words.

[Learn More](#)

## Mourning Into Unity

October 12 & 19



Let's come together as a nation to mourn our devastating losses and declare our unity as Americans and people of faith. When we see our shared humanity, we strengthen our commitment to each other and our democracy.

Faith leaders, healthcare professionals, churches, synagogues, and mosques across the country will be holding two candlelight vigils outside their houses of worship.

Hosted by Reimagine.

[Learn More](#)



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### Register to Vote

The voter registration deadline for New York is October 9. Register below and, if desired, [apply for an absentee ballot](#).

[Register Here](#)

### Respond to the Census

The U.S. Census Bureau has extended the deadline to October 31. Respond today and take a look at our [Interfaith Census Toolkit](#).

[Respond Here](#)

### Join Our Mission!

The Interfaith Center of New York (ICNY) works to overcome prejudice, violence, and misunderstanding by activating the power of the city's grassroots religious and civic leaders and their communities.



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