



EARTH DAY

April 22 – Friday of the Octave of Easter

The Risen Savior Has redeemed the world!
“Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!” (Ps 96:11)

As Daughters and Sons of the Light, let us join together as one body this Friday to restore God’s good creation with a plan for Earth Day 2022!

JOIN A NETWORK

- [California Legislative Network](#)
- [Catholic Climate Covenant](#)
- [Laudato Si’ Movement](#)
- [Laudato Si’ Action Platform](#)



FORM A PARISH COMMITTEE TO CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

- Study [Laudato Si’](#) and [God Calls Us All to Care for Our Common Home](#)
- Identify local ecological challenges
- Develop an action plan through the [Laudato Si’ Action Platform](#)

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

- Use [less water](#) and conserve energy
- Eat sustainable, local food
- [Eliminate or reuse plastics](#)

REDUCE YOUR FAMILY’S CARBON FOOTPRINT

- Use more [public transportation](#) or electric vehicles
- Sign up for your utility’s renewable energy option
- Install residential renewable energy or energy-efficient appliances
- Plant a tree

"I urgently appeal, then, for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet."

Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*, n.14



A CHRISTIAN PRAYER IN UNION WITH CREATION

Father, we praise you with all your creatures.
They came forth from your all-powerful hand;
they are yours, filled with your presence and your tender love.
Praise be to you!

Son of God, Jesus, through you all things were made.
You were formed in the womb of Mary our Mother,
you became part of this earth,
and you gazed upon this world with human eyes.
Today you are alive in every creature in your risen glory.
Praise be to you!

Holy Spirit, by your light
you guide this world towards the Father's love
and accompany creation as it groans in travail.
You also dwell in our hearts and you inspire us to do what is good.
Praise be to you!

Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love,
teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe,
for all things speak of you.
Awaken our praise and thankfulness
for every being that you have made.
Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined to everything that is.

God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love
for all the creatures of this earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.
Enlighten those who possess power and money
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good, advance the weak,
and care for this world in which we live.
The poor and the earth are crying out.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty.
Praise be to you!

Amen.

– Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*, n. 246

