



# LAUDATO SI' WEEK 2025

May 24 - 31, 2025



A decade ago, Pope Francis wrote *Laudato Si'*, calling us to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

**We invite you to join the Sisters of Notre Dame in celebrating this 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year of *Laudato Si'* by sharing this flyer with 10 friends, co-workers and family members within the next 10 days. Together, may we embrace the challenge to protect, care for and shape the future of our planet, our Common Home.**

## Pray

Let us pray and intercede to our Creator God to accept our responsibility to pray for our created world at meals, liturgical celebrations or in personal prayer. Thank you to Sr. Valerie Schnieder, SND of the Care for Creation Team for composing these.

### Meal Prayers

#### Before

O God, our Creator, thank you for your awesome creation: your gifts that feed us, your beauty that inspires us.

Bless our meal and all those who provided it from farm to table.

Remind us of our bond with all creation and help us renew the face of the earth.

All praise to You, My Lord,  
through Mother Earth.

#### After

Bountiful God, we are grateful for the abundance of creation. Keep mindful that the food we eat is an undeserved gift, a great blessing. As we leave, may we return a blessing. In some way, inspire us to care for all creation, work to end starvation and food insecurity, and preserve our resources for present and future generations.

### Universal Prayers

Increase our commitment to our environment, that we may make social and moral progress in our decisions affecting Planet Earth. We pray...

May Pope Leo and leaders of all nations work in solidarity to care for our planet, while being mindful of the greater responsibility of wealthier countries. We pray....

That our daily actions of trade and commerce preserve resources for future generations. We pray...

That we may remember that all creatures are connected and deserve our respect. We pray...

That government and economic leaders make responsible decisions and work for an equitable distribution of the world's goods according to needs. We pray...

As we care for creation, replace our greed with an increase of generosity and care for the poor and vulnerable. We pray...

That we will be attentive to hear the cry of the earth, especially the needs of impoverished people and geographical areas on which our planet depends. We pray...

Strengthen our conviction that we are one human family, supplying whatever is needed that all people survive and thrive. We pray...

That we may not delay or evade our responsibilities to foster the harmony among Creator, the human family, and all creation on land, sea, or air. We pray...

# Study

As the Sisters of Notre Dame prepare for their solar project, we share this short video about the reason and process of making a decision on renewable energy.

[Sisters of St. Agnes Get Solar Power](#)

Are you interested in reading (or re-reading) Laudato Si and discussing it with others? Take the free [Summer Laudato Si' Reading Challenge](#) by Texas Laudato Si movement.

- Read at your own pace
- Receive bi-weekly emails that provide encouragement, reflection and inspiration
- [Sign up to receive emails starting May 24th](#)
- In September gather via Zoom for discussion with people across the U.S.!

Access the encyclical  
for [free online](#).

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[A Prayer for Our Earth](#)

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[Creation Novena](#)

# Act

Join your voice with Catholic Climate Covenant and others to advocate for our vulnerable sisters and brothers. [Click here](#) to express your concerns to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), regarding the repealing of life-saving protections against pollution that would hinder human health and our response to the climate crisis.