

ACTION ALERT

Office of Peace, Justice and Ecological Integrity
Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth

Season of Creation, September 1 to October 4, 2017

Pope Francis has called for the observance of a season of creation beginning on September 1, the Word Day of Prayer for Creation, and ending on October 4, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology. In our 2015 Public Stand on Climate Change/Global Warming, we stated: **We, the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth, recognizing the reality of global climate change and its negative impact on the entire community of Life, commit ourselves to a deeper contemplation of the presence of God in the wonderful diversity of creation which compels us to a life of reverence for the sacredness of Earth...**

Here are some resources that you can use in your communities, ministries, parishes and other groups during the Season of Creation:

-A Prayer Service for the World Day of Prayer for Creation

<http://files.ctctcdn.com/af0d801a001/0477d734-6559-40f3-bc9c-d75b9538322b.pdf>

-Intercessions for the Prayer of the Faithful taken from *Laudato Si'*

<http://www.scnj.org/images/justicepeace/careofcreationintercessions.pdf>

-*Six Weeks with Laudato Si'* – a six week calendar with daily suggestions for reflection/action

http://www.scnj.org/images/justicepeace/SIX_WEEKS_WITH_LAUDATO_SI_2.pdf

-Consider joining the Federation Charity Earth Network which publishes a newsletter three times a year on ecology from the Vincentian-Setonian perspective. For more information email pjei@scnj.org

-Consider joining the Sisters of Charity Ecospirituality Group, a group of sisters, associates, and partners of ministry who meet monthly to pray and reflect on ecology and spirituality. The next meeting is September 11, 2017, 6:00-7:30 pm, Founders. RSVP at tmoran@scnj.org