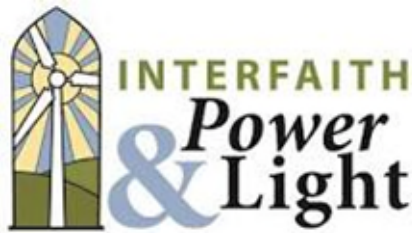


SCNY Office of Peace, Justice and Integrity of Creation April 2020 Update

The Sisters of Charity of New York invite you to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day and the 5th Anniversary of Laudato Si' by raising awareness and acting out of our connectedness and solidarity with all our brothers and sisters, human and nonhuman, and our Common Home, Earth. You are invited to participate in one or more of these events.

***“All is connected”,
a constant theme of Pope Francis’s encyclical, Laudato Si’.***



View feature film, The Human Element

The Earth Vision Institute, because of Covid-19 and physical distancing, is offering an online viewing of *The Human Element*, during Faith Climate Action Week to all Interfaith Power & Light Congregations, organizations, and individuals. You are invited to sign up to view the film online. Click on link below to sign up. *You can share the link to register but not your password.* In courtesy to Earth Vision Institute which offers the viewing free, please abide by their wish that each person register. They want to know how many people view it. Film is available to view through April 17-26th. You will receive a password unique to you close to the 17th. If you need to name an organization, type in Sisters of Charity of New York.

<https://www.interfaithpowerandlight.org/2020/01/the-human-element/>



Metro New York Catholic Climate Movement will offer, in collaboration with other groups, two webinars; one celebrating Earth Day and a second, celebrating Laudato Si' Week (May 16 – 24th). Email mnyccm@gmail.com to be added to MNY CCM e-mail list and to be informed of webinar dates and other timely information.



Global Catholic Climate Movement – visit link to view Pope Francis’ message and see what you can do to celebrate Earth Day and Laudato Si’ week. <https://laudatosiweek.org> Invite your pastor, people of faith, friends and colleagues to learn about groups such as GCCM, MNY CCM and CCC. Invite them to join in advocating for Care of Creation, our Common Home, and all life.



CCC offers ideas and resources for Earth Day. Their 2020 Earth Day Program at the first link can be used for prayer, reflection and action.

<https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/program/earth-day> Other valuable resources can be found on their website. Homily hints can be found at:

<https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/resources/?tid=14> Additional links that CCC suggests we visit are: <https://www.earthday.org/> and

<https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2020/> View Earth Day 2020 Video: "Earth Day at 50/Laudato Si' at 5 - An Urgent Appeal for Action" at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_umVeme93U

Franciscan Action has resources at:

<https://franciscanaction.org/caring-for-creation-celebrate-earth-day-at-50-and-laudato-si-week/>

Invitation to Act: Contact your member of Congress to urge the EPA to cease the complete dismantling of protections in place to care for our common home:

<https://franciscanactionnetwork.salsalabs.org/opposeparollbacks/index.html?etype=EmailBlastContent&eld=747b5e6d-c821-4505-ab27-3fa66b61a6b3>

If you live in NYS, a second email advocacy urges divestment. Contact your Assembly person at <https://act.350.org/sign/assembly-divestny-2020/>

Earth Day Live <https://www.earthdaylive2020.org/> is a three-day online event, April 22-24 celebrating the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. Focus is on digital striking, divestment, and voting to save humanity and our planet. Millions of people around the world, through the internet, will mobilize to stop the climate emergency. Activities will involve teach-ins, musical performances, divestment, etc. Together, we can transform our world into one that is not only safe and sustainable, but flourishes for generations to come.

The youth-led 72-hour live stream and online mobilization will aim to engage people around the world in collective action to protect our climate and communities, and will feature performances from artists and influencers, panels with activists who are on the front lines of the climate crisis, trainings and teach-ins with partners, and conversations with elected officials to keep people engaged, informed, and inspired during this difficult time. Visit also, <https://www.earthweeknyc.com/> led by Sunrise Movement and other groups, not the Peoples Climate Movement.

Easter With an Amazonian Face – visit <https://justresponse.faith/easter-amazonian-face>

The Inter-Religious Working Group on Extractive Industries invites you to encounter God through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, and in the beauty and suffering of the Amazon region and its people this Easter. Cognizant of the difficulties and uncertainties brought upon us by the pandemic, the resource provides us hope and inspiration as well as spiritual comfort.

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