

Family of Parishes (FOP) Creation Care Lenten and Easter Challenge #5

Our FOP Creation Care Team presents Worksheet #5 of the Maryknoll Affiliates Laudato Si' Action Platform (LSAP) worksheets to continue helping us respond to Pope Francis's call to environmental sustainability. <https://laudatosiplatform.org/>



Worksheet # 5 – Goal #5 – Ecological Education is about re-thinking and re-designing curricular and institutional reform in the spirit of integral ecology in order to foster ecological awareness and transformative action. This worksheet considers ways that each of us can participate in Ecological Education. It suggests ways that each of us can continue to learn, and to find ways to share the Good News of Creation Care.

Focus Areas for Goal #5 – Learning; Sharing

Specific Actions for Goal #5

Pray: Pray for Ecological Conversion, described in Laudato Si' (216-226), “whereby the effects of (our) encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in (our) relationship with the world around (us)...(this conversion) calls for a spirit of generous care... gratitude and gratuitousness, a recognition that the world is God’s loving gift, and that we are called to quietly imitate his generosity in self-sacrifice and good works...”



Act: Short Term Actions: List what you have learned about the environment and what other topics you want to learn about. Has the experience of the first four LSAP worksheets piqued your curiosity? Consider sharing Creation Care ideas with family, friends and associates... even those who may be resistant to these ideas.

Longer Term Actions: Commit to “tithing” your learning and viewing time, e.g. read or watch at least one Creation Care/environmental resource for every 10 movies, books or documentaries. Consider learning and sharing with others how to simply tell “why” something is a good or bad environmental practice.

Our FOP would like to invite you to check out our monthly Creation Care Team meetings.

Contact your parish Christian Service Coordinator for more information.

Advocate: e.g. Add environmental and Creation Care dates to your calendar (Earth Day, Arbor Day, World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, etc). Encourage others to get involved and celebrate these events.

Please see the Maryknoll worksheet #5 in full for more *specific* actions for Goal #5 Ecological Education. <https://godsplanet.us/maryknoll-affiliates-lsap-goals-worksheets>

