
Taking Action to Care for Our Common Home



TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

We join with our worldwide ecumenical family in prayer and action to protect our common home during the annual Season of Creation, September 1–October 4.

The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19–25)

Suggested Action—Advocate: It is impactful to meet with, call, write, or email your elected officials to let them know that environmental stewardship is important to you and why, and to ask their support for specific actions, laws, and policies to protect the environment. Contact information is easily obtained online; just Google “contact <elected official’s name>”. Several good places to track advocacy issues include: 1) United State Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) Environmental Justice Advocacy link: <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/environment/index.cfm#tab--latest-information>, 2) Catholic Climate Covenant monthly newsletter: <https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/join-us/>, 3) Interfaith Power and Light: <https://interfaithpowerandlight.org/>, and 4) Citizens’ Climate Lobby (non-partisan, national organization with local chapters): <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/>. You can also advocate and make a difference by how you spend and invest your money. Buy products and choose investments that are not wasteful, polluting, or harmful to the environment, and that help transition to better environmental stewardship. For example, the USCCB is currently doing this by choosing investments to best meet their established responsible investing guidelines for five “Saving Our Global Common Home” categories including climate change, biodiversity, water and natural resources, technology, and environmental impact. Find the USCCB investment guidelines here (pages 24-28): [https://www.usccb.org/resources/Socially%20Responsible%20Investment%20Guidelines%202021%20\(003\).pdf](https://www.usccb.org/resources/Socially%20Responsible%20Investment%20Guidelines%202021%20(003).pdf)
