

Pope's prayer intention

September 2024

For the Cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of the victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.





Monthly Prayer

Good Father, the cry of the earth strikes in the Heart of your Son Jesus, and cries out to us "I want mercy and not sacrifices". Our Common Home implores us a bold and radical change in our way of life. We need courage, and a holy indignation

We need courage, and a holy indignation to commit ourselves to a cultural change that welcomes the cry of the earth and the poor.

We need the fire of your Holy Spirit

to burn in our hearts,

to contemplate and give thanks,

to welcome and to care,

so that we may all feel as one in you.

May our gestures of love and care

for everyone and everything, rise up to You

as a universal prayer of adoration,

Of thanksgiving and forgiveness.

May our daily living reflect a temperate, and modest lifestyle

that moderates how excessively greedy we tend to be with the world and each other.

May we embrace this cry for help

transforming it with our decisions

into a loving and consoling melody.

Amen.

Attitudes in your daily life

CARE FOR THE COMMON HOME

"Promote global solidarity in light of the fact that biodiversity is a global global common good demanding a shared commitment. Give priority to people in situations of vulnerability, including those most affected by the loss of biodiversity, such as indigenous peoples, the elderly and the young." (Pope Francis)

What concrete actions do you want to carry out to take care of your environment, which is also that of your brothers and sisters and the whole of creation?

LISTENING TO THE PAIN

"Let us weep with the anguished plea of creation. Let us hear that plea and respond to it with deeds, so that we and future generations can continue to rejoice in the creration's sweet song of life and hope." (Pope Francis)

See in the pain of the environment and of your brothers and sisters the opportunity to do something for them. What is within your reach?

CARING FOR LIFE (AIR, WATER, AND LIVING BEINGS)

"Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or secondary aspect of our Christian experience." (Pope Francis)

Do you express your faith and your relationship with God by caring for and protecting the nature and people he gave you?

PERSONAL COMMITMENT

"As people of faith, we feel ourselves even more responsible for acting each day in accordance with the summons to conversion. Nor is that summons simply individual." (Pope Francis)

Write a resolution that expresses your desire to care for the environment and for the people God has given you.

MOBILIZING WITH OTHERS

"The ecological conversion needed to bring about lasting change is also a community conversion... This means "converting" models of consumption and production, as well as lifestyles, in a way more respectful of creation and the integral human development of all peoples, present and future." (Pope Francis)

How can you improve your consumption habits to minimize waste and reduce harm to the environment and others?