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God's love knows no barriers. St. Pascal's...where all people matter.

Welcome! We hope you enjoy your time with us. Whether you are just visiting or looking for a parish home, it's great to have you with us. Whatever your life circumstances, wherever you have been or whatever has happened in your life, you are welcome here.

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021 | TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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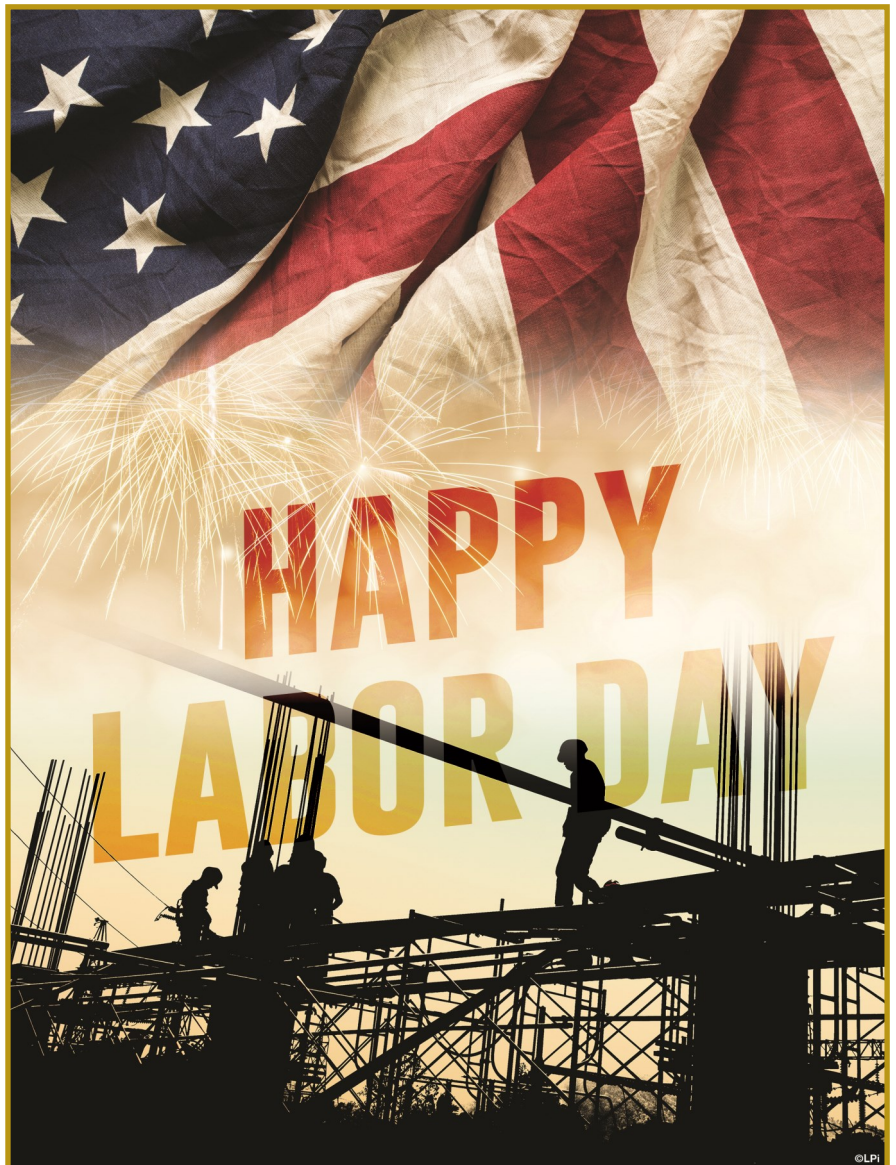
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



Mass Times

Saturday 4:30 PM | Sunday 8:45 & 10:30 AM (ASL) | Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Wednesday Morning Mass. This 2021-22 school year will be similar to the 2020-21 year in that the 9:30 AM Wednesday School Mass will be restricted to St. Pascal Regional Catholic School students, teachers and staff members because of COVID-19 safety protocols. There will be an 8:00 AM Wednesday Parish Mass which parishioners and the public are welcome to attend. Thus, our weekday Parish Mass schedule is Tuesday-Friday at 8:00 AM. In the past, I know that parishioners enjoyed coming to the Wednesday School Masses. They felt inspired to see the students involved at Mass, proclaiming the Scriptures and Intercessions, helping as altar servers, singing in the student choir, and hearing a youth-focused homily from Deacon Rich or me. I look forward to the day when we can welcome parishioners back to School Masses.

Labor Day Weekend and the End of Summer. Monday, September 6, is Labor Day, and this weekend will feel like the end of summer to many of us. Some schools have started classes already, and some schools (including St. Pascal Regional Catholic School) have the first day of class on Tuesday, September 7. When school classes start for most families, the carefree summer schedule changes to a regular routine of the academic year. I hear from parents that although their children complain about the end of summer vacation and the start of the school year, many of our young people like the regular routine of the school schedule. If you are sad to see summer vacation end, keep in mind that the astronomical definition of summer is the three months from June 21 to September 22. These dates correspond to the summer solstice (June 21) and the autumnal equinox (September 22). With that reckoning, you do not have to say goodbye to summer until September 22.

The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF) conducts an Annual Appeal to fund 20 Designated Ministries within the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis that no one parish can support on its own. These ministries include Abria Pregnancy Resources, American Indian Ministry, Catholic Charities, Hospital Chaplains, Latino Ministry and more. I invite you to support the Appeal. You may give online at csafspm.org or by contacting The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation office, phone: 612.294.6622. Here is an update on our progress towards our Parish goal as of August 27, 2021:

St. Pascal Parish Goal:	\$ 41,935.00
Total Pledged:	\$ 22,493.75
% of Goal Pledged:	54%
Total Received:	\$ 21,596.97
% of Goal Received:	52%

Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis. Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for September 2021: *An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle.* We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

Would you like to know more about being an Usher at Mass?

Stop by before or after any Mass on the weekend of September 11-12 to learn more and (if you wish) to shadow an Usher during Mass. It is a great ministry for families! For more information, email Carla Hibbison at carla.hibbison@gmail.com.

Beacon In-reach is Coming

Attention one and all! A Beacon In-reach is coming. We all know about charitable outreach but what is Beacon In-reach? Stay tuned. Next Sunday Fr. John will be explaining what Beacon In-reach is, why we are doing it, and why our Faith should encourage us to participate.

St. Pascal Women's Book Club

Have you ever thought about coming to the St. Pascal's Women's Book Club? Do it this month. The Book Club meets in the Staff Lounge at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Monday of each month. You can come as often as your schedule allows. On September 13 we'll discuss Louise Erdrich's *The Night Watchman* and on October 11, we'll share thoughts on JoJo Moyes' *Giver of Stars*.

Heads up: St. Pascal's Women's Club Poinsettias Sale

Brighten your Christmas season!

The St. Pascal's Women Club will be selling beautiful Gertens Poinsettias and gift cards. These Poinsettias make stunning holiday decorations and gifts. So, buy a few for yourself, your friends and family. Also, please consider donating toward a purchase of flowers for the residents of the Marion Center to brighten their Christmas! Poinsettias and gift cards can be ordered and paid for in mid-October. They will be available for pick up at St. Pascal's on November 21 and 22. Questions please contact Ellen Aeling at 651.307.8241.

St. Pascal's Legacy Society

Tax Efficient Legacy of Faith.

Gifts of life insurance policies to St. Pascal's can yield substantial tax savings to you while maximizing your Legacy gift. Consult with your tax adviser. If you want more information on St. Pascal's Legacy Society, please call Theresa Ruttger at the parish office at 651.774.1585 or talk to a member of the Legacy Committee - Ellen and Mike Aeling, Susan Hommes, Joe Sullivan, and Brigid O'Malley.

Parish Office Holiday Hours

The parish office will be closed on Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day. Have a fun and safe holiday—and God bless the work you do!

— REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS —

New Staff and Teachers for the 2021-22 School Year!

We are excited to welcome some new staff and teachers for the 2021-22 school year! *Anna Wiatros* will join us as the new third grade teacher. Mrs. Wiatros has taught elementary school for many years and has degrees from St. Thomas University as well as St. Catherine University. *Rebekah Van Heest* is joining us as a pre-k teacher. Ms. Van Heest grew up in MN and has a degree in elementary education from the University of Northwestern. *Mary Beane* is our new school office administrative assistant. Mrs. Beane has worked in the offices of a few Catholic schools throughout the country and is excited to share her expertise with St. Pascal Regional. *Emily Rose* is joining us as the Phy. Ed. and health teacher. Ms. Rose went to the College of St. Scholastica and received her degree in elementary education in 2019. Last but not least, *Viviana Ruiz* is joining us as a lunch and recess monitor. Ms. Ruiz is currently attending the University of St. Thomas, and is studying Catholic Studies and Communications. We look forward to another blessed school year!

— ARCHDIOCESAN SYNOD —

Small Groups Start September 20

As part of the Archdiocesan Synod Process, parishes are asked to host small groups this fall to discuss and give feedback on priorities within each Synod focus area.

Our parish will host small groups on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 PM and on Tuesdays from 10:00 AM-12 Noon beginning September 20 and continuing for 6 weeks. While participation each week is helpful, it is not required. See more at archspm.org/synod or contact Kim Roering at 651.432.4958 or kim.roering@stpascals.org with questions.

Signing up for Monday evenings or Tuesday mornings helps in our planning! Call the parish office, go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c48abac23abf49-synod> or use a convenient link on the parish website at stpascals.org/archdiocesan-synod.

Cuppa Joe: 10 Talks on the 10 Wonders of Saint Joseph

Cuppa Joe is a series of 10 talks by 10 theologians on the 10 wonders of St. Joseph, taking place at 10 locations in our archdiocese which are entrusted to the patronage of our spiritual father.

These talks premiere at 4:00 PM on the first Tuesday of the month through December 2021—just in time for your afternoon coffee. Find more information at archspm.org/cuppajoe. Virtual Talks are posted on Facebook, YouTube, Instagram and on the Year of Saint Joseph page at www.archspm.org/stjoseph.

Upcoming Cuppa Joe Events

September 7: "Adorer of Christ," Liz Kelly, Waconia

October 5: "Silent Witness," Fr. John Floeder, Rosemount

November 2: "Patron of a Happy Death," Deacon Dan Gannon, St. Paul

— FAITH FORMATION —

Faith Formation and Sacrament Prep Registration—*Last call!*

Faith Formation

Wednesday evening faith formation is open to all children of St. Pascal's who attend public schools.

Registration forms are available on the parish website or by contacting Kim Roering in the parish office. **Forms are due by September 15!** Note that there are 3 forms to be completed:

- FAMILY INFORMATION FORM—1 per family
- INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM—1 per child enrolling
- SOCIAL MEDIA AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION PERMISSION—1 per child enrolling

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist (for children in grade 2 and older)

Children in grade 2 and older during the 2021-22 school year are welcome to prepare for and celebrate First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Registration forms and information are available on the parish website. **Registrations are due by September 15.** For more information contact Kim Roering in the parish office.

C O N T A C T U S

Parish Office

Phone 651.774.1585
Email church@stpascals.org

For after-hours pastoral emergency (death, dying or anointing): Call the parish office.

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Holidays as announced

Parish Councils

Parish Pastoral Council

Meetings 1st Tuesday at 6:30 PM
Mary Weyandt, Chair

Parish Finance Council

Meetings 4th Thursday at 6:30 PM
Mike Aeling, Chair

St. Pascal Regional Catholic School

Phone 651.776.0092
Email icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org

School Office Summer Hours

Mon-Thu 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
and by appointment.

Sacramental Information

Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00-4:25 PM
or contact Fr. John in the parish office
Communal celebrations as announced

Baptism

Pre-baptismal classes are required.
To register for classes or to schedule a celebration, call the parish office.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least six months in advance of the desired date.

Parish Prayer Line

8:00 - 10:00 AM 651.735.0004
Mary Butler-Levine

4:00 - 6:00 PM 651.774.3248
Pat Kackman

Parish Communication

Bulletin Notices

Due 3:00 PM Monday
thea.munoz@stpascals.org

Mass Announcements

Due 3:00 PM Tuesday
john.mitchell@stpascals.org

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St. Pascal Baylon Catholic Church

Escape the Indoors! Catch the fun at the Cub & Boy Scout Registration Night
Thursday, September 16 from 6:30-8:00 PM in Brioschi Hall.

Boys and girls welcome! Troop 9294 Cub Scouts is open to anyone in grades K-5; Troop 9294 Boy Scouts is open to anyone in grades 6-12. For more information please call Tim Roering at 651.592.8669 (cell).

Mass Times & Intentions

Readings September 05, 2021

Tuesday, September 07

8:00 AM + Susan Korf

Wednesday, September 08

8:00 AM Women's Club

Thursday, September 09

8:00 AM + Fr. John Nolan

Friday, September 10

8:00 AM The people of the parish

Saturday, September 11

4:30 PM + Georgine Misukanis

Sunday, September 12

8:45 AM The people of the parish

10:30 AM + Bob & Lorraine Winkel

Heart Questions

Rich in Faith

Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him?

James 2:5

Adults: When has your faith in Jesus enabled you to speak out on an issue of importance?

Kids: What does your belief in Jesus mean to you?

Sunday:

Is 35:4-7a

Ps 146:7-10

Jas 2:1-5

Mk 7:31-37

Monday:

Col 1:24—2:3

Ps 62:6-7, 9

Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday:

Col 2:6-15

Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11

Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday:

Mi 5:1-4a

Ps 13:6abc

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Thursday:

Col 3:12-17

Ps 150:1b-6

Lk 6:27-38

Friday:

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14

Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday:

1 Tm 1:15-17

Ps 113:1b-7

Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday:

Is 50:4c-9a

Ps 116:1-6, 8-9

Jas 2:14-18

Mk 8:27-35

THE WEEKS AHEAD

Sunday, September 5

No scheduled events

Monday, September 6—Labor Day

Parish office closed

Tuesday, September 7—First Day of School

6:30pm Pastoral Council: Zoom

Wednesday, September 8

11:15am Rosary: Church

Thursday, September 9

7:00pm Men's Club Membership meeting: Brioschi Hall

Friday, September 10

No scheduled events

Saturday, September 11—20th Anniversary of 9/11

4:00pm Usher Training: Church

Sunday, September 12

8:15am Usher Training: Church

10:00am Usher Training: Church

11:45am Baptism (Burrell Family): Church

12:00pm Confirmation II: Staff Lounge

Monday, September 13

7:00pm Women's Book Club: Staff Lounge

7:00pm Boy Scouts: Brioschi Hall

Tuesday, September 14

6:30pm Women's Club Board: Staff Lounge

Wednesday, September 15

11:15am Rosary: Church

6:30pm Catechist Meeting: Staff Lounge

Thursday, September 16

6:00pm Cub-and-Boy Scouts Recruiting: Brioschi Hall

Friday, September 17

No scheduled events

Saturday, September 18

No scheduled events

Sunday, September 19

11:45am Baptism (Ristero Family): Church

Social Justice and Caring Committee

September Collection: Listening House

During September, items will be accepted for Listening House, a day shelter and community center located at 464 Maria Avenue in St. Paul (in the lower level of the First Lutheran Church). It provides hospitality, practical assistance, and counsel to people who are unsheltered or in need. This includes offering light food, clothing, help for those looking for employment and/or housing, and veterans' assistance. Staff and volunteers aspire to create a sense of community and connection by promoting respect for all and to help guests make changes to improve their condition. Items needed include:

- new boxer briefs for men (yes, just boxer briefs) M-XL
- new underwear for women (all sizes)
- new or freshly laundered bras
- new or used belts for men and women
- travel sized personal care including deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, hand sanitizer
- socks

Place items in the donation closet, located off the coat room, before and after Masses from September 1- 26.

Stewardship of Giving

Financials for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

July 2021

Sunday Giving

Sunday Giving \$ 58,420.31

Budgeted \$ 63,431.25

Deficit \$ - 5,010.94

Year to Date

Sunday Giving \$ 58,420.31

Budgeted \$ 63,431.25

Deficit \$ - 5,010.94

Mortgage

Loan Balance (as of 06.31) \$ 3,178,095.88

Collected Donations \$ 19,048.08

Monthly Mortgage Pmt \$ 22,461.05

Deficit \$ - 3,412.97

Reserve Account Balance: \$ 204,780.55

Thank you for your support!

St. Pascal's 75th Anniversary **CELEBRATION WEEKEND!**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
5:30-7:30 PM IN BRIOSCHI HALL



ST. PASCAL'S FAMOUS SPAGHETTI DINNER

Dinner service begins at 5:30 PM.

Dinner includes pasta, meatball(s), salad, bread & bottled water. Pop is extra.

\$10.00 Large: More spaghetti and two meatballs

\$8.00 Small: Less spaghetti and one meatball

RSVP on SignUpGenius for sit down service, drive up or takeout

Use the convenient link on the parish website (stpascals.org) on the Parish News page or go to:

www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c48abac23abf49-spaghetti1

or call the parish office at 651.774.1585.

DON'T FORGET THE GIANT SWEEPSTAKES RAFFLE!

A \$5.00 donation per ticket is requested.

No purchase is necessary to participate. You do not need to be present to win.

We recently mailed 20 raffle tickets to each registered household—we encourage you to purchase or sell these 20 tickets! More tickets are available in the parish office. To be eligible for the drawing, tickets and donations must be received in the parish office by **3:00 PM Friday, September 24** or deposited in the GIANT SWEEPSTAKES RAFFLE drum at the dinner—be sure to enter your tickets! The drawing will be at 7:00 PM at the dinner and live-streamed on Facebook. Our prizes this year are:

1st prize: \$1500

2nd prize: \$ 500

five prizes: \$ 100/ea

HELP SUPPORT AND ENJOY OUR 75TH ANNIVERSARY PARISH CELEBRATION WEEKEND. LET'S ALL HELP TO EXCEED OUR \$22,000 GOAL TO SUPPORT OUR MANY PARISH MINISTRIES AND ACTIVITIES.

Sell those tickets and we'll see you at the dinner!

St. Pascal's 75th Anniversary **CELEBRATION WEEKEND!**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

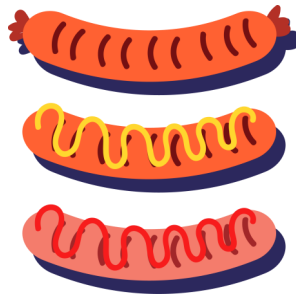
12:00 – 5:00 PM AT WALTON PARK, OAKDALE
1584 Hadley Ave N, Oakdale, MN 55128

ST. PASCAL'S PARISH PICNIC

Free hot dogs, chips and beverages provided by the St. Pascal's Men's Club.

Bring your own items to cook on the Men's Club large grill if you like!

We have reserved the North Shelter, South Shelter and attached kitchen.



DON'T FORGET THE FUN!

Come to the picnic and receive 3 FREE tickets to win an **OUT-DOOR PRIZE!**

Prizes sponsored by the St. Pascal's Women's Club

Park amenities include a children's playground, skateboard park, basketball court, tennis court, baseball and softball fields, soccer field and more!

Bring your own picnic blankets, lawn chairs, lawn games and frisbees.

Visit with parishioners old and new, make new friends, and reunite with parishioners from the past.

Bring your friends and loved ones and we'll see you at the picnic!



ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

LAUDATO SI'

"Praise be to you, my Lord."

"LAUDATO SI', mi' Signore" – "Praise be to you, my Lord." These are the words that open Pope Francis' encyclical on ecology and care for God's creation. These words, quoting St. Francis of Assisi's beautiful canticle, remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us.

Pope Francis' encyclical letter [*Laudato Si'*](#) was released in June 2015. Five years later, in 2020, Pope Francis invited all Catholics and people of good will to celebrate its fifth anniversary by protecting families and future generations through action to care for our common home. Here are themes that Pope Francis highlighted in *Laudato Si'* which require our urgent response today.

- **A Moral and Spiritual Challenge.** The ecological crisis, Pope Francis writes, is a summons to profound interior conversion—to renew our relationships with God, one another, and the created world.
- **Care for God's Creation.** God created the world and entrusted it to us as a gift. Now we have the responsibility to care for and protect it and all people, who are part of creation. Protecting human dignity is strongly linked to care for creation.
- **We are All Connected.** We are connected to the rest of the human family, to the created world, and to those who will come after us in future generations.
- **Impact on the Poor.** People in poverty have contributed least to climate change, yet they are disproportionately impacted by it. As a result of excessive use of natural resource by wealthy nations, those who are poor experience pollution, lack of access to clean water, hunger, and more.
- **Called to Solidarity.** We are one human family and have a shared responsibility for others and for creation. Wealthy countries have a responsibility to reduce consumption of non-renewal resources and should help poorer nations develop in sustainable ways.
- **Technological and economic development** must serve human beings and enhance human dignity, instead of creating an economy of exclusion, so that all people have access to what is needed for authentic human development.
- **Supporting Life, Protecting Creation.** Concern for nature is incompatible with failure to protect vulnerable human beings, such as unborn children, people with disabilities, or victims of human trafficking.
- **A Time to Act.** Pope Francis calls for a change in lifestyle and consumption. We can make important changes as individuals, families, and communities, and as civil and political leaders.
- **Hope and Joy.** "Injustice is not invincible" (no. 74) and we act knowing that we seek to live out God's vision of renewed relationships with God, ourselves, one another, and creation.

How You Can Respond

Each of us are called to take concrete steps – from reducing consumption to working for political change – to better care for creation. Here are some ideas.

1. **Become more aware of our connectedness.** Care for one another and creation includes understanding that “everything is connected” (no. 91) and that the economy, politics, community involvement, and technology all affect the future of the planet and humankind. How can we become more aware of our connectedness?
2. **Changes to lifestyle and consumption habits can make a big difference.** For example, get a re-usable water bottle, take shorter showers, walk, bike or take public transportation instead of driving, recycle, compost food waste, and buy energy efficient appliances.
3. **Make changes institutionally at your parish, school, or workplace.** For example, start recycling and composting, use washable dinnerware in cafeterias, share electronically instead of printing, do an energy audit, and install solar panels.
4. **Support local efforts to solve environmental problems.** Community groups around the country are working to make city, county, and state-wide changes that can make a big difference. Find out what is going on locally and get involved.
5. **Contact your members of Congress** to share Pope Francis’ message and urge action to address climate change.

Prayer

Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love,
teach us to contemplate you
in the beauty of the universe,
for all things speak of you.
Awaken our praise and thankfulness
for every being that you have made.
Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined
to everything that is.

God of love, show us our place in this world
as channels of your love
for all the creatures of this earth,
for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.

Enlighten those who possess power and money
that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
that they may love the common good,
advance the weak, and care for this world in
which we live.

The poor and the earth are crying out.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light,
help us to protect all life,
to prepare for a better future,
for the coming of your Kingdom
of justice, peace, love and beauty.
Praise be to you!
Amen.

Excerpted from “A Christian prayer in union with creation,”
in *Laudato Si’*, no. 246

For More Information

- U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops webpage on Environment and Environmental Justice (www.usccb.org/environment)
- Catholic Climate Covenant (www.catholicclimatecovenant.org)
- WeAreSaltAndLight.org



Department of Justice, Peace
and Human Development