

## St. C & Transfig "SEASON of CREATION" September 1st-October 4th, 2025

Sunday 31	Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday 4	Friday 5	Saturday 6
Monday starts the "Season of Creation", a yearly world-wide Catholic celebration of God's wondrous gift of the Earth and all of nature that surrounds us.	The Season starts today with the <b>"World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation"</b> . The 2025 prayer is printed on the back, please pray it daily.	Reflect on Pope Leo's July remark: <b>"We have to pray for the conversion of many people ... who still do not see the urgency of caring for our common home"</b> .	This is the 10th anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical <b>Laudato Si</b> . His words could not be more timely. A PDF is available for free at the Vatican website.	Reflect this month on whether God is pleased with how we are treating His gift of Creation. Think about how we might act to show more gratitude.	Next week we will focus on <b>FOOD</b> . We live in a very productive agricultural area. Notice the fields & orchards approaching harvest time.	Take a nice long walk today. Listen to the birds, look at the trees, feel the sun on your face. Rejoice in all creation.
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<b>OBSERVE SABBATH</b> - Refrain from work, shopping & social media on Sunday. Rest, pray, see, hear, feel the presence of God.	<b>MEATLESS MONDAY</b> - for the next 4 weeks try a new family habit of no meat all day on Mondays. Great for your health. Great for the Earth.	Go to a Farmer's Market this week (and often). <b>MARVEL &amp; REJOICE</b> at the bounty God has made available to us.	Read "The Well Gardened Mind: The restorative power of nature" by Sue Stuart-Smith.	Start composting your food scraps, returning the nutrients to the soil and not locking them up in a landfill	Share a hearty vegetarian or vegan recipe with a few friends today.	Visit the Gift Garden. Better, come help in the harvest and distribution. Even better yet, plan to be part of the Garden Ministry in 2026!
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<b>OBSERVE SABBATH</b> - This week we will focus on the life-giving <b>WATER</b> that we are <b>BLESSED</b> to be surrounded by.	<b>MEATLESS MONDAY</b> , Ice floats because, unlike most substances, water is less dense as it freezes due to crystal lattice formation. Hockey anyone??	Twenty percent of all the world's fresh surface water is in the 5 Great Lakes. Visit Lake Ontario and pray for those in need of fresh water.	"Laudato Si at 10 Years" talk <b>TONIGHT</b> by Dr Gerry Gacloch @ St. Mary Church downtown, 7PM.	Rochester "loves" the beauty of clouds. Look up on a partly cloudy day and try to identify Cirrus & Cumulus clouds. Watch a sunrise or sunset.	Stick your hand or foot into a lake or stream this week. Close your eyes and just feel the coolness.	<b>DOR Pilgrimage</b> along the waters of the Genessee River to the Vacuum Oil brownfield site. Guided tours 10AM-Noon.
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<b>OBSERVE SABBATH</b> - Nation-wide <b>SUN DAY &amp; Lemonade on the Porch</b> . This week's focus is on <b>LIFE</b> . Life would be impossible without the sun.	<b>MEATLESS MONDAY</b> , Today is the Fall Equinox and a New Moon. Look up at the stars tonight. Also, observe the leaves starting to change.	Fall is a great time to plant trees. Trees store lots of carbon- for centuries. They provide shade, beauty and living space for critters.	Watch any documentary by Sir David Attenborough sometime this month.	Bi-Parish Care of God's Creation Ministry's monthly meeting <b>TONIGHT @ 7PM</b> in the Transfig PLC. Please come join us.	There have been 8.7 million species identified on earth so far. WOW. Go into your yard, close your eyes and listen to a few!	Find your most eco friendly way to get to church this weekend (walk, bike, carpool). Carpooling is a great way to get to know your neighbors better.
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<b>OBSERVE SABBATH</b> - This week we focus on Natural beauty with <b>AWE &amp; WONDER</b> .	<b>MEATLESS MONDAY</b> Act like a kid and pull out a magnifying glass. Look up close at leaves, bugs, flowers, your dog's eye, etc. <b>AMAZING</b> .	Read "Zen and the Art of Saving the Planet" by Thich Nhat Hain.	Plan a road trip to the Finger Lakes or Adirondacks this fall to see the foliage- Bask in the <b>SPLENDOR</b> God has entrusted to us.	Consider the many gifts that you have been given. Pray about how you are called to use your time, talents and treasures to protect our shared home.	<b>Pet Blessings</b> . At Saint Catherine's and Transfiguration. See bulletin for times.	<u><b>The Feast of St. Francis.</b></u> <b>DOR Pilgrimage</b> at Ganondagan and <b>St. Francis celebration @</b> Transfig Gym 7-9PM.