

Creation Care Team



Dear Newman Center Family,

Next month we will celebrate the Season of Creation and you can be part of it!

Since 1989, the Orthodox Church has been celebrating the month of September, up through the Feast of St. Francis, October 4th, as the Season of Creation.

In 2015 Pope Francis wrote his landmark encyclical “Laudato Si: On Care for our Common Home”. The Roman Catholic Church has been a major partner in this global effort to celebrate creation by committing to “Hear the cry of the earth, the cry of the poor”.

This year St. Paul Catholic Newman Center wants to join millions of people of good will across the globe to see what we can do to start to address personally, locally, and communally, the grave ecological challenges facing us.

For that reason, we are planning to form a Creation Care Team here at the Newman Center. If you would like to join us on this urgent project, here are a few things we hope you’ll do:

1. For much more information, resources and videos on climate change, creation care teams, and the U.S.

Catholic response to Laudato Si, Pope Francis’ encyclical on Care for our Common Home, visit

www.catholicclimatecovenant.org

2. For a five minute summary of Laudato Si, please watch: Top Ten Takeaways from Laudato Si:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a_lqFTYLc_4

3. Sign up to join us on September 8th at 7:15PM for a kickoff virtual meeting to get to know each other and share our vision together. Please RSVP

here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14OY_gprM5cPpGi6wzNVkRHEbCrqWFBfwceCO7LfFk4M/viewform?edit_requested=true

4. Join us on September 8th at 7:15pm, using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85712412875>

5. Visit the parish website for weekly updates and resources to help us all to better “care for the earth and care for the poor”, beginning in September.

6. Sign up to attend a webinar with Dr. Katherine Hayhoe, September 10 at 3:00pm.

To register, click here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-conversation-with-climate-scientist-dr-katharine-hayhoe-tickets-159246389237>

7. Join us for our in person Feast of St. Francis Blessing of the Animals at St. Paul Catholic Newman Center on Monday, October 4 at 8:30am (after Mass), 12:15pm, and 6:00pm.

Contact either one of us anytime for more information about the Season of Creation and what we hope to do here at the St. Paul Catholic Newman Center to truly celebrate it!

In solidarity,

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