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"If we want a world of **peace** and **justice** we must decisively put intelligence at the service of **love**" (Antoine de Saint-Exupéry)

Dear Sisters and Laity

We continue to celebrate life and with it the possibility of thanking it as a gift. Some of you are on vacation, others in the middle of your work and from each situation we welcome from September 1 to October 4 the celebration of Creation Day. I take this opportunity to wish you a happy 2025-2026 academic year to those who will start on September 1st, and much encouragement to those of you who are in the middle of your task.

We remind all that after the celebration of the XXXI General Chapter, we continue to maintain an Agreement taking care of life in all its forms, the **Care of the Common Home**.

Chapter Agreement

1. WHERE DOES THE SPIRIT WILL TAKE US ...

• To cultivate care and good treatment in our relationships with ourselves, our Sisters in the community, also other people and nature, and finally to eradicate all forms of harm and abuse. (Chapter Agreements of the XXXI General Chapter 2025)

This year, under the motto "Peace with Creation", Pope Leo XIV invites us to renew our commitment to caring of our Common Home, reminding us that true peace was born of restored justice between God, humanity and nature.

In a world marked by so many conflicts and environmental challenges, his call resonates with particular urgency: **creation cannot be a battlefield**, but a sacred space where peace flourishes. It encourages us not to remain indifferent, but to **act with hope and solidarity, sowing seeds of peace and reconciliation** that can transform our lives, communities and our planet. It also reminds us that, together with our prayer, good will is needed simple actions and concrete actions are necessary.

Likewise, the Spanish bishops, aware of the fragility and pain that our world is going through, stress that the search for peace must go hand in hand with **integral ecology and universal fraternity**. They call us to connect our faith with a real and hopeful commitment to the Common Home, taking on the challenge of taking care our **common Home** with responsibility and love.

Therefore, this time of the year this **from 1st September to 4th October**, I invite you all to join with an open heart in this beautiful ecumenical initiative, so that together we may be faithful guardians who, in the midst of the difficulties at the present, may sow hope and build true peace for the generations to come. Let us celebrate this time with joy and commitment, in unity with brothers and sisters from all latitudes, witnessing a deep love for creation and for life!

The theme of the 2025 edition, jubilee year and 10th anniversary of the Encyclical Laudato si', is "Peace with creation" and Isaiah 32:14-18 has been chosen as the biblical reference

text for this initiative. As underlined Magisterium of Pope Francis and his recent predecessors has emphasized, the link between peace and care for creation is very close.

The prophet Isaiah (32:14) describes the desolate Creation without peace due to the lack of justice and the broken relationship between God and mankind. This description of devastated cities and wastelands emphasizes the fact that destructive human behaviors have a negative impact on the Earth.

Religious leaders invite to the Season of Creation:

ECOLOGY. Time of Creation 2025 (October 1-Oct. 4): "Peace with Creation"

https://youtu.be/lazmsfsvt3w?si=QvQDTUVkLgpBWEM4

I encourage you to participate to the best of your abilities and to join in the celebrations of the local diocesan Church and organize your own actions and celebrations in your communities.

I attach the following links:

- Message from Pope Leo Day of Care for Creation.
- Message from the Bishops of the Social Pastoral of the Episcopal Conference.
- Guide to Celebrating the Time of Creation.
- Ecumenical Website of the Time of Creation.

Yours sincerely

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