January 11, 2014

On Saturday, January 11th as we remember our day of fast and prayer, "We will work to eradicate violence against and abuse of the earth and its creatures. Through our responsible and appropriate use of all creation (Art. 24) we practice active stewardship and reverence for our planet."

"The vocation of being a "protector", is not just something involving us Christians alone; it also has a prior dimension which is simply human involving everyone. It means protecting all creation, the beauty of the created world, as the Book of Genesis tells us and as Saint Francis of Assisi showed us. In the end, everything has been entrusted to our protection, and all of us are responsible for it. Be protectors of God's gifts!" (Pope Francis, March 19th, 2013)



Questions for Reflection

- 1. What aspects of Creation are under threat? What are the human consequences of environmental destruction?
- 2. What environmental issues are of most concern to your local community?
- 3. How might purchasing decisions impact both the environment and broader social concerns?

Recreation: CREATION ABC's

The first Sister names something that God created beginning with the letter A. Have the next Sister say what the first Sister named that God created beginning with the letter A and then adds the letter B and something that God made. The third Sister must say what the two players said before and then adds letter C. This pattern continues until you have reached the letter Z. ENJOY!