

Session 1: The Beauty of Creation

How do you experience God's creation?

How do you feel about the state of our planet?

PRAY

A Christian prayer in union with creation:

Father, we praise you with all your creatures.
They came forth from your all-powerful hand;
they are yours, filled with your presence
and your tender love.

Praise be to you! [Laudato Si', 246](#)

[Earth Meditation](#) on Pray-as-You-Go (25 mins)

[Liturgical, Prayer and Spiritual Resources](#)

REFLECT



[Turn, Turn, Turn](#), sung by
Judy Collins, taken from
the Book of Ecclesiastes

Astronauts reading from the Book of
Genesis 1: 1-10 in [Apollo 8's
Christmas Eve Message](#), 1968, while
viewing the earth from space (3mins)

[Why 2021 is key for climate action](#)

ACT

"I ask that we look beyond personal lives, to
our role within our wider communities.

I speak about Climate Change and our care for
the Environment of our planet.

Pope Francis tells us that we are all required,
every one of us, to make changes to our lives.

This is most certainly a matter which is rooted
in our Faith.

A great deal of difference can be made
through a number of small actions.

I challenge us to take the lead in Pope Francis'
call to 'care for our common home'."

Bishop John Arnold, quoted in the toolkit:
[Care for our Common Home, at Home](#)

NEWS

Catholic Diocese of Salford: [Bishop
John launches "Guardians of Creation"
ecological project](#)

Creature Kind: [Christian Community,
COVID-19, And The Slaughterhouse](#)

Daily Express: [Green Britain: Restoring
this site to its former glory is crucial to
nation's birds](#)

The Independent: [How to change your
parents' minds on climate change - by
the Gen Zers who've done it](#)

BBC: [Coca-Cola company trials first
paper bottle](#)

"In the Christian understanding of the world, the destiny of all creation is bound up with the mystery of Christ, present from the beginning: "All things have been created through him and for him" (Col 1:16). (Laudato Si', 99)