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<td><strong>Laudato Si’</strong></td>
<td><strong>August, 2023, Calendar</strong></td>
<td><strong>“Young people demand change. They wonder how anyone can claim to be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and the sufferings of the excluded.”</strong> #13</td>
<td><strong>“The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air and in all forms of life. This is why the earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor; she “groans in travail” (Rom 8:22). We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (cf. Gen 2:7); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters.”</strong> #2</td>
<td><strong>“In some countries, there are positive examples of environmental improvement: rivers, polluted for decades, have been cleaned up; native woodlands have been restored; landscapes have been beautified thanks to environmental renewal projects; beautiful buildings have been erected; advances have been made in the production of non-polluting energy and in the improvement of public transportation. These achievements do not solve global problems, but they do show that men and women are still capable of intervening positively.”</strong> #58</td>
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### Monday

**8/7 National Sea Serpent Day (Just for fun!)**

- [https://rb.gy/w6z65](https://rb.gy/w6z65)
- National Sea Serpent Day
- [https://rb.gy/m8shh](https://rb.gy/m8shh)
- 5 Facts Oarfish
- [https://rb.gy/g7mkh](https://rb.gy/g7mkh)
- Serpent
- [https://rb.gy/c2n2w](https://rb.gy/c2n2w)
- Unexplained Mystery
- [https://rb.gy/x4g4](https://rb.gy/x4g4)
- Apex Marine Reptiles
- [https://rb.gy/5myzf](https://rb.gy/5myzf)
- Snakes from Sea Serpents?
- Did they Exist?
- Video Sea Serpents
- [https://rb.gy/1u9em](https://rb.gy/1u9em)
- Video Giant Sea Serpent
- [https://rb.gy/6myzf](https://rb.gy/6myzf)
- Sea Serpent Color Pages

**“Oceans not only contain the bulk of our planet’s water supply, but also most of the immense variety of living creatures, many of them still unknown to us and threatened for various reasons.” #40**

### Tuesday

**8/8 International Cat Day**

- International Cat Day
- Britannica Cat
- Live Science Cat Facts
- [https://rb.gy/kg8k2](https://rb.gy/kg8k2)
- Nat. Geo. Domestic Cat
- [https://rb.gy/6o6kg](https://rb.gy/6o6kg)
- Britannica Features/Adaptations
- [https://rb.gy/06dn3](https://rb.gy/06dn3)
- Cat Breeds
- Large Domestic Cat Breeds
- Natural History
- Kids Video Domestic Cats
- [https://rb.gy/go89h](https://rb.gy/go89h)
- Video Learning about Cats for Kids
- Cat Coloring Pages

**“Because all creatures are connected, each must be cherished with love and respect, for all of us as living creatures are dependent on one another.” #42**

### Wednesday

**8/9 International Day of the World’s Indigenous People (WIP)**

- [https://rb.gy/x7gks](https://rb.gy/x7gks)
- ID of the WIP
- Amnesty International WIP
- UNESCO Indigenous Peoples
- World Bank Indigenous Peoples
- UN Respect Indigenous Peoples
- Indigenous Lands
- [https://rb.gy/6s9uv](https://rb.gy/6s9uv)
- State of (WIP)
- (WIP) Kid Activities
- [https://rb.gy/7kgvs](https://rb.gy/7kgvs)
- Video Kids
- [https://rb.gy/j0ryb](https://rb.gy/j0ryb)
- Video Kids Indigenous
- [https://rb.gy/wb0bx](https://rb.gy/wb0bx)
- Color Page
- Color Page

**“Respect must also be shown for the various cultural riches of different peoples, their art and poetry, their interior life and spirituality.” #63**

### Thursday

**8/10 World Lion Day**

- [https://rb.gy/lp3t5](https://rb.gy/lp3t5)
- World Lion Day
- Britannica Lion
- Smithsonian Zoo Lions
- [https://rb.gy/f8ca2](https://rb.gy/f8ca2)
- African Lion Nat. Geo.
- [https://rb.gy/6hl80](https://rb.gy/6hl80)
- Live Science
- Video Nat. Geo. Wild Lions 101
- [https://rb.gy/xu0od](https://rb.gy/xu0od)
- Video Kids Lion
- [https://rb.gy/uv0uf](https://rb.gy/uv0uf)
- Video Littles Lions
- Lions Coloring Pages
- 20 Lion Craft/Activities Kids
- Lion Kids Crafts

**“His [St. Francis] response to the world around him was so much more than intellectual appreciation or economic calculus, for to him each and every creature was a sister united to him by bonds of affection. That is why he felt called to care for all that exists.” #11**

### Friday

**8/11 National Mountain Day**

- [https://rb.gy/4wz9s](https://rb.gy/4wz9s)
- National Mountain Day
- [https://rb.gy/5129z](https://rb.gy/5129z)
- Britannica List of Mountains
- [https://rb.gy/6o61nt](https://rb.gy/6o61nt)
- Nat. Geo. Mountains
- Britannica Mountain Landform
- National Park Service Mountains
- Franklin Mountain State Park (EP)
- [https://rb.gy/g1hik](https://rb.gy/g1hik)
- Franklin Mountains (EP)
- [https://rb.gy/7qb4b](https://rb.gy/7qb4b)
- Guadalupe Mountains
- [https://rb.gy/kq72e](https://rb.gy/kq72e)
- Video Nat. Geo. Mountains
- Video Kids Mountains
- [https://rb.gy/80i0s](https://rb.gy/80i0s)
- Video World’s Highest Mountains
- [https://rb.gy/3sf0](https://rb.gy/3sf0)
- Mountain Color Pages
- More Mountain Color Pages
- [https://rb.gy/d7ui0](https://rb.gy/d7ui0)
- Mountain Crafts for Kids

**“The entire material universe speaks of God’s love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God.” #84**
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https://rb.gy/s8cfv  
Britannica Lizard  
https://rb.gy/qidkw  
Types of Lizards  
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Britannica Lizard Characteristics  
https://rb.gy/cswac  
Diet and Habitat  
https://rb.gy/vjr7d  
25 Best Pet Lizards  
https://rb.gy/7ehse  
Video Looking for Food  
https://rb.gy/3703q  
Video Wild Life of Lizard  
https://rb.gy/cxpn  
Video (White Sands, NM)  
https://rb.gy/dzl52  
Video for Kids Lizards  
https://rb.gy/ok19d  
Video for Kids Lizards  
https://rb.gy/v7c7a  
Color Pages  
https://rb.gy/ntuk3  
Lizard Crafts for Kids  
“…he [Saint Francis] would call creatures, no matter how small, by the name of ‘brother’ or ‘sister’.” #11 | 8/15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
https://rb.gy/utcun  
Assumption  
https://rb.gy/dqtra  
Readings of the Day  
https://rb.gy/3kwv  
Assumption of the BVM  
https://rb.gy/ldih  
Assumption of Mary in History  
https://rb.gy/5e6n0  
Video Assumption of Mary  
https://rb.gy/qx3o  
Video Mary the New Eve  
Video The Religion Teacher  
https://rb.gy/19fmx  
Video Kids My Time with Jesus  
https://rb.gy/fw1na  
Craft Kids/Teens  
https://rb.gy/q3712  
Activities The Religion Teacher  
https://rb.gy/y9suw  
Color Page  
https://rb.gy/s75u3  
National Independent Worker Day  
https://rb.gy/2lckf  
Gig Economy  
https://rb.gy/ox486  
Modern Labor Market  
https://rb.gy/8mzfk  
Your Business Needs IW  
https://rb.gy/9jwmt  
What is Independent Work?  
https://rb.gy/gtmx0  
Independent Worker Resources  
https://rb.gy/kol0k  
Improve ability to work independently  
https://rb.gy/gs05q  
Growth Trends  
https://rb.gy/2u71l  
Benefits  
https://rb.gy/zk14n  
Video Pros and Cons  
https://rb.gy/3l6cu  
Video How to Hire  
“Jesus worked with his hands, in daily contact with the matter created by God, to which he gave form by his craftsmanship… In this way he sanctified human labour and endowed it with a special significance for our development.” #98 | 8/17 National Non-Profit Day  
https://rb.gy/7kwvw  
National Non-Profit Day  
https://rb.gy/m8kz8  
Definition and Example of NPO  
https://rb.gy/ozklt  
Non-Profits in El Paso  
https://rb.gy/9xzi  
How to start a non-profit  
https://rb.gy/raqiz  
32 Types of Nonprofits  
https://rb.gy/tz9ug  
IRS Charities and Nonprofits  
https://rb.gy/5gony  
National Council of Nonprofits  
https://rb.gy/3bbol  
What is a Nonprofit?  
https://rb.gy/01wvr  
Benefits  
https://rb.gy/3kdp  
Build a Nonprofit  
https://rb.gy/3kba  
Community Impact  
Video What is a Nonprofit?  
https://rb.gy/okpx4  
Video How to Start a Nonprofit  
| 8/18 World Orangutan Day (8/19)  
https://rb.gy/m8shh  
International Orangutan Day  
https://rb.gy/562ii  
Britannica Orangutan  
https://rb.gy/hpmlm  
WWF Orangutan  
https://rb.gy/wrpu0  
Smithsonian Zoo Orangutan  
https://rb.gy/co04j  
Nat. Geo. Orangutan  
https://rb.gy/5atlm  
Nat. Geo. Kids Orangutan  
https://rb.gy/31tkf  
Video Nat. Geo.  
https://rb.gy/3zemq  
Video Orangutan Jungle School  
Video Kids  
https://rb.gy/9ytjt  
Video Kids  
Coloring Pages  
| “…when media and the digital world become omnipresent, their influence can stop people from learning how to live wisely, to think deeply and to love generously.” #47 | “Carried up into heaven, she [Mary] is the Mother and Queen of all creation. In her glorified body, together with the Risen Christ, part of creation has reached the fullness of its beauty.” |
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**What Age is a Senior Citizen?**

**Aging**
[https://rb.gy/6zu7i](https://rb.gy/6zu7i)

**Benefits**
[https://rb.gy/3nv94](https://rb.gy/3nv94)

**Programs for Older Adults**

**What it means**
[https://rb.gy/1prwf](https://rb.gy/1prwf)

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**Be an Angel Day**

**Kindness Quotes**

**25 Bible Verses on Blessing**

**Being a Blessing Jewish Perspective**
[https://rb.gy/5cez9](https://rb.gy/5cez9)

**What is Kindness?**

**The Art of Kindness**

**Video Strengthen Kids’ Compassion**

**Video Be Kind: A Childrens’ Story**

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**IDFTROTSTAIA**

**Anti-Discrimination Loretto Comm**
[https://rb.gy/ss1vc](https://rb.gy/ss1vc)

**Britannica Slave Trade**
[https://rb.gy/7qzil](https://rb.gy/7qzil)

**Slavery in America**
[https://rb.gy/x7vu4](https://rb.gy/x7vu4)

**Slavery Today**
[https://rb.gy/a2w75](https://rb.gy/a2w75)

**US Slave Trade Museum**

**Dismantling Racism**
[https://rb.gy/5doha](https://rb.gy/5doha)

**Transatlantic slave trade**

**National Archives The Slave Trade**

**Video Pompeii Real History**
[https://rb.gy/e92uz](https://rb.gy/e92uz)

**Video Vesuvius Erupts**

**Volcano Color Pages**

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**Vesuvius Day**

**Geology.com**

**Live Science**
[https://rb.gy/5jihm](https://rb.gy/5jihm)

**This Day in History**

**Britannica Pompeii**
[https://rb.gy/x79h](https://rb.gy/x79h)

**What if Vesuvius Erupted Today?**

**Video Pompeii Real History**
[https://rb.gy/e92uz](https://rb.gy/e92uz)

**Video Vesuvius Erupts**

**Volcano Color Pages**

**Video Volcanos Kids**
[https://rb.gy/5o2r6](https://rb.gy/5o2r6)

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**National Secondhand Wardrobe Day**

**How to Shop for Used Clothes**

**Benefits of Buying Secondhand**

**Sustainable/Ethical**

**NPR Gen Z**

**Advantages**
[https://rb.gy/3ru5g](https://rb.gy/3ru5g)

**Benefits**

**4 Advantages**

**Video Dangers of Fast Fashion**

**Video Dangers of Clothing Waste**
[https://rb.gy/1ayvt](https://rb.gy/1ayvt)

**Things to do with Old Clothes**

**19 Best online 2nd Hand Stores**

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### Notes

“Laudato Si’”

August, 2023, Calendar

Sister Liz Deines, SL

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"Laudato Si’" sounds like, ‘who is not just the immense dignity of each (cf. Gen 1:26). This shows us the immense dignity of each person, “who is not just something, but someone.” #65

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"He [Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew] asks us to replace consumption with sacrifice, greed with generosity, wastefulness with a spirit of sharing, an asceticism which ‘entails learning to give, and not simply to give up. It is a way of loving, of moving gradually away from what I want to what God’s world needs. It is liberation from fear, greed and compulsion’.” #9

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"He [Saint John Paul II] noted that ‘a type of development which did not respect and promote human rights – personal and social, economic and political, including the rights of nations and of peoples – would not be really worthy of man’." #93

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"It is true that there are other factors (such as volcanic activity, variations in the earth’s orbit and axis, the solar cycle), yet a number of scientific studies indicate that most global warming in recent decades is due to the great concentration of greenhouse gases (carbon dioxide, methane, nitrogen oxides and others) released mainly as a result of human activity.” #23

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"Every effort to protect and improve our world entails profound changes in ‘lifestyles, models of production and consumption, and the established structures of power which today govern societies’.” #4
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<td><strong>8/31</strong> Zoo Awareness Day (UK)</td>
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<td>“Love for society and commitment to the common good are outstanding expressions of a charity which affects not only relationships between individuals but also ‘macro-relationships, social, economic and political ones’.”</td>
<td><a href="https://rb.gy/n731y">https://rb.gy/n731y</a></td>
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<td>“More than fifty years ago, with the world teetering on the brink of nuclear crisis, Pope Saint John XXIII wrote an Encyclical which not only rejected war but offered a proposal for peace. He addressed his message Pacem in Terris to the entire ‘Catholic world’ and indeed ‘to all men and women of good will’.”</td>
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<td>“FRANCIS HELPS US TO SEE THAT AN INTEGRAL ECOLOGY CALLS FOR OPENNESS TO CATEGORIES WHICH TRANSCEND THE LANGUAGE OF MATHEMATICS AND BIOLOGY, AND TAKE US TO THE HEART OF WHAT IT IS TO BE HUMAN.”</td>
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“IT IS NOT ENOUGH, HOWEVER, TO THINK OF DIFFERENT SPECIES MERELY AS POTENTIAL ‘RESOURCES’ TO BE EXPLOITED, WHILE OVERLOOKING THE FACT THAT THEY HAVE VALUE IN THEMSELVES.” #33