


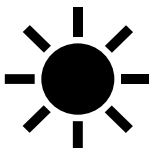




















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 <p>FAITH • COMMUNITY • JUSTICE • RESPECT http://www.loretto.org/</p> <p><i>Jesus is Our Cornerstone!</i> <i>Ephesians 2:19-22</i></p>  <p><i>Welcome Back!</i> <i>Academic Year</i> <i>2024-2025</i></p>	<p><i>“...it is indubitable that the impact of climate change will increasingly prejudice the lives and families of many persons. We will feel its effects in the areas of healthcare, sources of employment, access to resources, housing, forced migrations, etc.”</i> <i>(LD, #2)</i></p>	<p><i>“The ideal is not only to pass from the exterior to the interior to discover the action of God in the soul, but also to discover God in all things.”</i> <i>(LS, #223)</i></p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/nhccwm4j</p>	<p>8/1 Inservice</p> <p><i>“Despite all attempts to deny, conceal, gloss over or relativize the issue, the signs of climate change are here and increasingly evident. No one can ignore the fact that in recent years we have witnessed extreme weather phenomena, frequent periods of unusual heat, drought and other cries of protest on the part of the earth that are only a few palpable expressions of a silent disease that affects everyone.”</i> <i>(LD, #5)</i></p>	<p>8/2 Inservice</p> <p><i>“...we know that every time the global temperature increases by 0.5° C, the intensity and frequency of great rains and floods increase in some areas and severe droughts in others, extreme heat waves in some places and heavy snowfall in others.”</i> <i>(LD, #5)</i></p>

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<p>8/5 Inservice</p> <p><i>“If up to now we could have heat waves several times a year, what will happen if the global temperature increases by 1.5° C, which we are approaching? Those heat waves will be much more frequent and with greater intensity. If it should rise above 2 degrees, the icecaps of Greenland and a large part of Antarctica will melt completely, with immensely grave consequences for everyone.”</i> (LD, #5)</p> 	<p>8/6 Inservice</p> <p><i>“Some effects of the climate crisis are already irreversible, at least for several hundred years, such as the increase in the global temperature of the oceans, their acidification and the decrease of oxygen.”</i> (LD, #15)</p>	<p>8/7 National Raspberries and Cream Day ☺ https://tinyurl.com/37rb549t NRCDC https://tinyurl.com/3prexb45 Health Benefits of Raspberries https://tinyurl.com/26tzuh4t Red Raspberries: Nutrition Facts, Benefits and More https://tinyurl.com/2a7pp754 75 Sweet and Tasty Fresh Raspberry Recipes https://tinyurl.com/mrk3edzx Raspberry Whipped Cream (For Frosting and More) https://tinyurl.com/5xjsh2nh Raspberry Whipped Cream https://tinyurl.com/ynzmkwkyu Quick and Easy Raspberry Fool</p> <p>“In the words of this beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. ‘Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs.’” (LS, #1)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/y6yapdxs</p>	<p>8/8 International Cat Day https://tinyurl.com/2vb4yvf7 International Cat Day https://tinyurl.com/mr32jdsc Britannica Cat https://tinyurl.com/3apd8zpx Cats: The strange and fascinating history of our feline friends https://tinyurl.com/375htnwm Nat. Geo: Domestic Cat https://tinyurl.com/st2v3s6r Cats.com: Cat Breeds https://tinyurl.com/3v2uxzbu What Are The Largest Domestic Cat & Kitten Breeds? https://tinyurl.com/3mxi4pes The History of the Domestic Cat https://tinyurl.com/m8zyd7c Kid Video: Facts About Cats https://tinyurl.com/ycxjb9m4 Kid Video: Cats! Learning About Cats for Kids https://tinyurl.com/43asfura Cats and Kittens Activities & Fun Ideas for Kids https://tinyurl.com/55kx5k74 75 Cat Coloring Sheets</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/j8b3zrwx</p> <p>“In union with all creatures, we journey through this land seeking God, for ‘if the world has a beginning and if it has been created, we must enquire who gave it this beginning, and who was its Creator.’” (LS, #244)</p>	<p>8/9 Annual Perseid Meteor Shower Peak Night (International) https://tinyurl.com/yc8nd6he Annual Perseid Meteor Shower Peak Night (International) https://tinyurl.com/yjvxpe55 Perseid meteor shower 2024: When, where & how to see it https://tinyurl.com/33skj2kv Perseid meteor shower 2024: All you need to know https://tinyurl.com/ydc3zs7v Video: Perseid Meteor Shower 2023 https://tinyurl.com/mvvcbaez Video: Perseid Meteor Shower 2024 https://tinyurl.com/mn3w2sau Video: Time-lapse of the Perseid meteor shower https://tinyurl.com/4fh82v5 Video: "Perseid Meteor Shower" (Aug. 12, 2018) Sleeping At Last https://tinyurl.com/5x7b33zp Kid Video: Let's Go Watch A Meteor Shower – A Song https://tinyurl.com/ke7h3z69 Meteor Coloring Pages “Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love, teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of you.” (LS, #246)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/zk6fcsmm</p>

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<p>8/12 World Elephant Day https://tinyurl.com/33rf8cs5 World Elephant Day https://tinyurl.com/37nh2a9j WWF Elephant https://tinyurl.com/2s3jf48j 115 Facts about Elephants https://tinyurl.com/4xv822bh Reproduction and Life Cycle https://tinyurl.com/4txu8cz8 Elephant Aid International Facts https://tinyurl.com/mr3bcpn8 Britannica Kids Elephant https://tinyurl.com/yk8yhzer Nat. Geo. Kids African Elephant https://tinyurl.com/2mfty7ad Kid Video: Elephants #1 https://tinyurl.com/5e7ddu9d Kid Video: Elephants #2 https://tinyurl.com/38tb9583 Teacher Resources (3rd-5th grades) https://tinyurl.com/yc5ny8ee Elephant Coloring Pages https://tinyurl.com/bdexy628 22 Elephant Activities for Kids</p> <p>“Saint Bonaventure teaches us that ‘contemplation deepens the more we feel the working of God’s grace within our hearts, and the better we learn to encounter God in creatures outside ourselves.’” (LS, #223)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/3a7ud9kc</p>	<p>8/13 International Wolf Day https://tinyurl.com/mrytku42 International Wolf Day https://tinyurl.com/yst5tb57 Britannica: Wolf https://tinyurl.com/v9k2x8z4 Animals A-Z: Wolf https://tinyurl.com/3fvpvh7m Nat. Geo.: Gray Wolf https://tinyurl.com/awmh4hdj Britannica: Gray Wolf https://tinyurl.com/2s3cw4xz Video Nat. Geo.: Wolves101 https://tinyurl.com/56hr7bkk Animal Corner: Wolves https://tinyurl.com/53jntuzx International Wolf Center: Wolf Biology and Behavior https://tinyurl.com/yrvevcmj Nat. Geo. Kids: Gray Wolf https://tinyurl.com/3burd3hf Kid Video: Wolves for Kids https://tinyurl.com/ycx82k3f 50 Wolf Coloring Sheets</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/b7wub5te</p> <p>“Creatures tend towards God, and in turn it is proper to every living being to tend towards other things, so that throughout the universe we can find any number of constant and secretly interwoven relationships.” (LS, #240)</p>	<p>8/14 World Lizard Day https://tinyurl.com/4jbezfwy World Lizard Day https://tinyurl.com/43zbnkdc Britannica: Lizard https://tinyurl.com/4zubvard Animal Corner: Lizard https://tinyurl.com/2z5zyzdc A-Z Animals: The 15 Lizard Species You Should Know! https://tinyurl.com/7fme4kmw Animals Network: Lizards https://tinyurl.com/mtzxtkby Active Wild: Lizards https://tinyurl.com/rsvaxsa8 Cool Kid Facts: Fun & Interesting Lizard Facts For Kids 2024 https://tinyurl.com/4v3645nm Britannica Kids: Lizards https://tinyurl.com/28fcc9pu Kid Video: Lizards for Kids https://tinyurl.com/55736rj3 71 Lizard Color Pages</p> <p>“May the power and the light of the grace we have received also be evident in our relationship to other creatures and to the world around us. In this way, we will help nurture that sublime fraternity with all creation which Saint Francis of Assisi so radiantly embodied.” (LS, #221)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/mpkun8us</p>	<p>8/15 Our Lady of the Assumption https://tinyurl.com/yprd5hs6 Feast of Assumption https://tinyurl.com/mtj4cevc USCCB: Readings of the Day https://tinyurl.com/3emy5e57 EWTN: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary https://tinyurl.com/f37c9ab6 Catholic Culture: The Assumption of Our Lady https://tinyurl.com/ysy5mm2v CNA: Prayer to Our Lady of the Assumption https://tinyurl.com/zmhwr25b Kid Video: My Time with Jesus - Ep. 34 - The Assumption of Mary https://tinyurl.com/47b4hhyf Kid Video: Why is Mary important? https://tinyurl.com/4f8nwx73 The Assumption of Mary Activities https://tinyurl.com/bp4wt7vb Assumption Color Page</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/v4w5xa97</p> <p>“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.” (LS, #241)</p>	<p>8/16 World Honey-Bee Day (8/17) https://tinyurl.com/3d67857w World Honey-Bee Day https://tinyurl.com/5m48b8sh Britannica: Honeybee https://tinyurl.com/yfser4tw Nat. Geo. Kids: 10 Facts about Honey Bees! https://tinyurl.com/2s43yrw8 Animal Corner: Honey Bee https://tinyurl.com/35cs3a2e 15 Fascinating Honey Bee Facts https://tinyurl.com/3pbjc7ke The Honey Bee Society: Honey Bees! https://tinyurl.com/yftax6wf Kid Video: Bees and Bee Keeping https://tinyurl.com/yn3tsy4h Bee Coloring Pages</p> <p>“It [Ecological conversion] also entails a loving awareness that we are not disconnected from the rest of creatures but joined in a splendid universal communion. As believers, we do not look at the world from without but from within, conscious of the bonds with which the Father has linked us to all beings.” (LS, #220)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/2va73acr</p>

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<p>8/19 World Orangutan Day https://tinyurl.com/yn66zm9x World Orangutan Day https://tinyurl.com/3rb47z7y Britannica: Orangutan https://tinyurl.com/43rj57pv WWF: Orangutan https://tinyurl.com/msr4wr3w Smithsonian Zoo: Orangutan https://tinyurl.com/ptuf3s7s Nat. Geo: Orangutan https://tinyurl.com/6vjhnmk Nat. Geo. Kids: Orangutan https://tinyurl.com/mdakksb3 Video Nat. Geo.: A Rare Look at the Secret Life of Orangutans https://tinyurl.com/mwvp5jdc Video, Smithsonian Channel: Orangutan Jungle School https://tinyurl.com/2k2tkrk Kid Video: Orangutan #1 https://tinyurl.com/337amanm Kid Video: Orangutan #2 https://tinyurl.com/3xx36gram Orangutan Color Pages “The human person grows more, matures more and is sanctified more to the extent that he or she enters into relationships, going out from themselves to live in communion with God, with others and with all creatures.” (LS, #240)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/mr3wvx6y</p>	<p>8/20 World Mosquito Day https://tinyurl.com/3e44ddp6 World Mosquito Day https://tinyurl.com/25ek884d Britannica: Mosquito https://tinyurl.com/ye4pukcm CDC: Mosquito https://tinyurl.com/yv4wdvsv WebMD: Mosquitoes, What to Know https://tinyurl.com/2xyxbdtb CDC: About Mosquitoes the United States https://tinyurl.com/nhjeypcj NWF: What Purpose do Mosquitoes Serve? https://tinyurl.com/tn4388nz Mosquito Sound Effect https://tinyurl.com/466b73u7 What Purpose do Mosquitoes Serve in Ecosystems? https://tinyurl.com/bdd98pc6 NPR: Mosquitoes. What are they good for?</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/34fykka9</p> <p>“Saint Bonaventure tells us that, “from a reflection on the primary source of all things, filled with even more abundant piety, he [Saint Francis] would call creatures, no matter how small, by the name of ‘brother’ or ‘sister.’” (LS, #11)</p>	<p>8/21 Scottish Wildcat Day (UK) (really on 8/8) https://tinyurl.com/4pxjdfsa Scottish Wildcat Day (UK) https://tinyurl.com/4fvkf3vw Fact Animal: Scottish Wildcat Facts https://tinyurl.com/4v75hhtx Woodland Trust: Scottish Wildcat https://tinyurl.com/4d68ft8y Discover Wildlife: Scottish wildcat guide: how to identify, where they live, and conservation efforts https://tinyurl.com/4a6snp8z Documentary: The Tigers of Scotland (2018) - Scottish Wildcat https://tinyurl.com/5xkwspse Video: Beautiful Scottish Wildcat https://tinyurl.com/yt3k62yz Video: Rescuing the UK's Rarest Carnivore https://tinyurl.com/2te2a32v Video: Scientists work to save endangered Scottish wildcat https://tinyurl.com/4php28z2 Scottish Wildcat Coloring Page “Awaken our praise and thankfulness for every being that you have made. Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined to everything that is.” (LS, #246)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/4n3vdefa</p>	<p>8/22 National Be An Angel Day https://tinyurl.com/2jyneyu4 National Be An Angel Day https://tinyurl.com/29m2tn99 80 Powerful Kindness Quotes That Will Stay with You https://tinyurl.com/59b5zzku Being a Blessing- Jewish Perspective https://tinyurl.com/2p9jyz9f 7 Ways to be a Blessing to Others https://tinyurl.com/3ds37usr What is Kindness? https://tinyurl.com/yz4yn7ha Video: How to Help Your Child's Compassion Grow https://tinyurl.com/38dde28k Kid Video: Be Kind A Children's Story about things that matter https://tinyurl.com/c2hsvbr3 Kindness Coloring Pages</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/4n3vdefa</p> <p>“We must regain the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world, and that being good and decent are worth it. We have had enough of immorality and the mockery of ethics, goodness, faith and honesty.” (LS, #229)</p>	<p>8/23 Vesuvius Day (8/24) https://tinyurl.com/3x8cu6h6 Vesuvius Day https://tinyurl.com/yhh9tzpa Geology.com: Mount Vesuvius - Italy https://tinyurl.com/53crzwna Live Science: Mount Vesuvius & Pompeii: Facts & History https://tinyurl.com/5c76cynd Video (Real History): Pompeii: Inside The Ancient City That Was Buried Alive https://tinyurl.com/4bbus5h9 Science Experiments for Kids https://tinyurl.com/5n7u25vm Kid Video: Volcanoes https://tinyurl.com/yc3vp995 Volcano Coloring Pages “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.” (LS, #23)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/35yzvmzc</p>

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<p>8/26 National Dog Day https://tinyurl.com/yvf9985c National Dog Day https://tinyurl.com/mucpkthm AKC: Dog Breeds https://tinyurl.com/yp58pe79 El Paso Animal Services https://tinyurl.com/3t6kyc7x ARLEP: Adopt dogs/cats https://tinyurl.com/2s4ehh8p Live Science: Dogs https://tinyurl.com/4dca33st AKC: 30 Fun and Fascinating Dog Facts https://tinyurl.com/4ufn3su5 Video: Shelter dogs' reactions to being adopted https://tinyurl.com/y8mtbyzy Video (Nat. Geo. Kids): Dog Genius Awesome Animals https://tinyurl.com/5du33yyz 75 Dog Coloring Pages https://tinyurl.com/3vh9due6 97 Dog Coloring Pages</p> <p>“Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.” (LS, #246)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/3785f2mf</p>	<p>8/27 World Water Week (8/25-8/29) https://tinyurl.com/2m76bdmw World Water Week https://tinyurl.com/3um24nyb Water and Climate Change https://tinyurl.com/3emjx9xp Documentary: Unique Earth, the Essence of Water https://tinyurl.com/w53bwf8k DW Documentary: The Fight for Water https://tinyurl.com/4yfd48ya Activities Water Conservation https://tinyurl.com/cjwewsxf WCA for kids/teacher resources https://tinyurl.com/4txz6fmp Water Sense for Kids https://tinyurl.com/3pe9jz5r Ocean Coloring Pages Kids https://tinyurl.com/39ve2fmc Water Conservation Coloring</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/mv3yzx83</p> <p>“Our world has a grave social debt towards the poor who lack access to drinking water, because <i>they are denied the right to a life consistent with their inalienable dignity</i>. This debt can be paid partly by an increase in funding to provide clean water and sanitary services among the poor.” (LS, #30)</p>	<p>8/28 National Cherry Turnover Day 😊 https://tinyurl.com/44dhawdn National Cherry Turnover Day https://tinyurl.com/mr2ebytx Puff Pastry Cherry Turnovers Recipe https://tinyurl.com/5yx4bw4y Cherry Turnovers https://tinyurl.com/yzyk5dk8 The Cherry on Top: 8 Health Benefits of Cherries https://tinyurl.com/4hau89jr Video: 13 Amazing Health Benefits of Cherries You Need to Know! https://tinyurl.com/mv5mxbaw Video: 10 Benefits of Tart Cherries https://tinyurl.com/5n7crbpr Video: How To Germinate Cherry Seeds That Works every Time https://tinyurl.com/ycxz3959 Video: Questions People Ask When growing Cherry Trees From Seed - Cherry Tree From Seed Update 2</p> <p>“He [St. Francis] communed with all creation, even preaching to the flowers, inviting them ‘to praise the Lord, just as if they were endowed with reason’.” (LS, #11)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/32rjtry2</p>	<p>8/29 National Lemon Juice Day 😊 https://tinyurl.com/muxatw9z National Lemon Juice Day https://tinyurl.com/mudjnser 6 Evidence-Based Health Benefits of Lemons https://tinyurl.com/ybtxdac5 Health Benefits of Lemon https://tinyurl.com/mr4xcarr Lemons 101: Nutrition Facts and Health Benefits https://tinyurl.com/2t4snane Lemons: How They Benefit Your Health https://tinyurl.com/mr3wcmj9 The health benefits of lemons: Should you be eating the peel? https://tinyurl.com/3h8md2xk Video: Grow Lemons from Lemon Fruit https://tinyurl.com/24jbyk5v Video: How to Make Homemade Lemonade Using Real Lemons https://tinyurl.com/yazttmf9 Video: 6 lemon juice recipes</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/35twzpw2</p> <p>“Francis asked that part of the friary garden always be left untouched, so that wild flowers and herbs could grow there, and those who saw them could raise their minds to God, the Creator of such beauty.” (LS, #12)</p>	<p>8/30 National Beach Day https://tinyurl.com/ywfwdwtu7 24 Prettiest White Sand & Clear Water Beaches in the USA https://tinyurl.com/28petkpw America’s Cleanest and Most Polluted Beaches https://tinyurl.com/3cvznpfx 21 Gorgeous Beaches with the Clearest Water in the World https://tinyurl.com/37ajz2nx Clean Beaches Coalition https://tinyurl.com/mv544r3f EPA: What Can I Do To Protect Beaches? https://tinyurl.com/4c4mx9t6 Best Beaches in Texas https://tinyurl.com/h4sjsmr2t The Hidden Treasures of Beach Cleans: https://tinyurl.com/5cahcw2z Video: The Ocean Cleanup begins cleaning the Great Pacific Garbage Patch https://tinyurl.com/4fupe672 Video: Beach Cleaning Robot https://tinyurl.com/7xpc39b3 Beach Coloring Pages</p> <p>“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.” (LS, #40)</p>  <p>https://tinyurl.com/yc5jdd9m</p>