



Liên Đoàn Thánh Phaolô Hạnh *Manna*

XIN DẠY CON BIẾT HY SINH KHÔNG CẦN BÁO ĐÁP!

SAVE OUR PLANET

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For the month of September, the Pope's prayer intention focuses on respecting our planet's resources. In just 6 days, God created this wonderful planet we call home. Along with this planet comes all the resources we need to survive, such as water, air, trees/plants, animals, fossil fuels, etc. Our irresponsible uses of these resources over the many decades have slowly damaged our planet. All of our actions, no matter how small, will dictate the future of our planet.

This month, "we pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner." Throughout the years, our actions have caused a chain reaction that negatively affected the environment. The drastic increase in the burning of fossil fuels that we use to run factories, heat our homes, run our cars causes a massive release of CO² and other gases into our atmosphere. These gases trap heat, from the sun, in the atmosphere which warms the earth. The more CO² we emit, the warmer the earth will become. Warmer earth can lead to other problems such as flooding, hurricanes, severe droughts, etc. Therefore, we need to deviate from the use of fossil fuels and focus our attention on cleaner energy sources like solar, wind, and electricity.

In the last couple of years, we've seen many wildfires around the world, from the Amazon Rainforest to Australia to the U.S. These wildfires wiped out millions of acres of trees, hundreds of homes, and all the wildlife that inhabited the area. Because of climate changes, severe droughts can occur



POPE'S INTENTION

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Chúng ta hãy cầu nguyện cho mọi người biết tôn trọng tài nguyên của địa cầu.



more often which increases the chance of a wildfire. Trees are very essential in capturing CO² gases from the atmosphere and releasing oxygen. This in turn would help cool down the earth. We are losing more trees than we are planting each year. Whether it's due to wildfires, agricultural or industrial purposes, we need to start doing our part in saving our trees and wildlife.

CO² gases are also absorbed by the oceans and as a result, it causes ocean acidification. This affects the sea organisms with shells which consequently disturbs the ecosystem, food chain and in turn, affects us. Although our planet is made up of ~71% water, ~97% of it is salty. Of the ~3% that is freshwater, ~2.5% is locked in the polar ice caps and glaciers and only ~0.5% is available to us. However, according to WHO, due to pollutions less than 0.1% is safe for consumption. Freshwater is not distributed evenly throughout the world so millions of people live in areas where fresh water is scarce. Therefore, we need to try to conserve our fresh water supply and find ways to share our resources.

During the UN Climate Action Summit in 2019, Pope Francis stated, “while the situation is not good and the planet is suffering, the window of opportunity is still open. Despite everything. Let us not let it close.” Pope Francis called upon us to “cultivate three great moral qualities: honesty, responsibility, and courage” to face this challenge. Each one of us can take part in saving our planet. It can be as simple as recycling your waste, keeping our oceans clean and free from plastics and wastes, walking/biking, conserving water, or even planting a tree. Whatever it may be, we need to take action NOW so that we can ensure a better life for future generations.



FIVE LOAVES & TWO FISH

Join us on our one-day workshop to journey to a deeper understanding of the Bible and improve your weekly Gospel lesson plan!

All eligible attendees of LDPH (**HSTT, HT, and TT**) can register for this event here:

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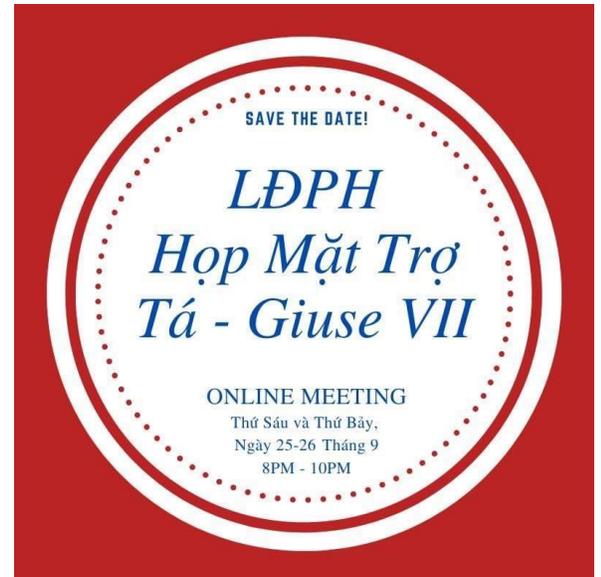
Date/Time: September 12th from 10am-1pm

Registration will close on **9/7/20**.

HỢP MẶT TRỢ TÁ

Calling all Trợ Tá to save the date for our annual Hợp Mặt Trợ Tá!! Although we can't be together in person this year, we can still unite spiritually and virtually! We look forward to seeing các Cố Chủ Trợ Tá.

Date/Time: 09/25 – 09/26 from 8PM to 10 PM



10 WAYS TO MAKE EVERY DAY EARTH DAY

Earth Day is an important event that takes place on April 22 every year, where we do our best to show our appreciation for our planet. However, just because Earth Day is one day a year doesn't mean you take the other 364 days off. Here are 10 ways you can make every day Earth Day.



These little steps are extremely beneficial to the environment, and they're also a good way of saying thanks to the Earth!

"Give them some food yourselves."

Mt 14:13-21

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PRESENTED BY:



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SATURDAY 9/12/2020

VIA ZOOM - LINK PROVIDED POST REGISTRATION

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

ADMISSION IS FREE!

OPEN TO HT, HSTT, & TT in LDPH

ONLINE REGISTRATION:

BEGINS 8 / 12 / 2020

ENDS 9 / 07 / 2020

(Register at <https://bit.ly/2XHokLI>)

