Although we can’t gather for Earth Day activities, let’s still focus our attention on Caring for Creation! Here are some ideas you can use at home:

- **Read** *Laudato Si’* – maybe have a faith sharing group with other adult family members via a virtual happy hour! Here’s a link to a discussion guide from the USCCB [https://tinyurl.com/ybek684u](https://tinyurl.com/ybek684u)
- **Renew** is offering a faith sharing group called *Creation at the Crossroads* for youth adults here [https://pages.renewintl.org/ctc-faith-sharing2](https://pages.renewintl.org/ctc-faith-sharing2)
- Turn off the water while you are soaping your hands for 20 seconds – use the extended time washing your hands to pray for healing of our earth.
- Turn off *heated dry* on your dishwasher.
- Hang your laundry outside to dry.
- Post *Care for Earth* tips on your FB page – find some quotes here on the USCCB website to get you started. [https://tinyurl.com/ycr8kzeq](https://tinyurl.com/ycr8kzeq) Here’s one to get you started “What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up?” (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si’* [On Care for Our Common Home], 2015, no. 160)
• Link to places like the Monterey Bay Aquarium, zoos, etc. where you and see and enjoy and appreciate God’s creation
  https://www.montereybayaquarium.org/animals/animals-a-to-z/sea-otter
• Take a backyard picnic and spend at least 5 minutes in silence and then talk about what you heard – bird song, wind, laughter, ...
• Walk barefoot on your lawn, if you have one or place your hand on soil or the trunk of a tree and appreciate God’s creation

Earth Day is every day!

Enjoy the celebration!!