



# **LAUDATO SI' WEEK 2020**

A study guide on Laudato Si

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”. (1)



*Canticle of the Creatures, in Francis of Assisi:*

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”  
(5)



Large cities dependent on significant supplies of water have experienced periods of shortage. (28)



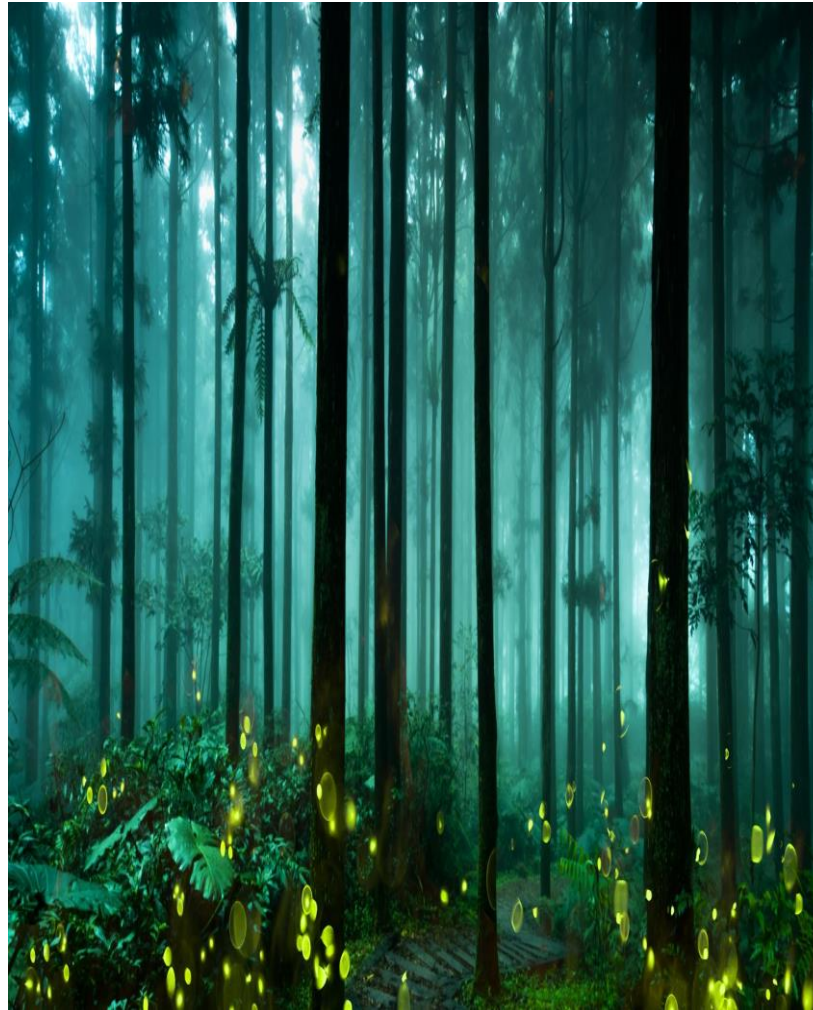
Oceans not only contain the bulk of our planet's water supply, but also most of the immense variety of living creatures, many of them still unknown to us and threatened for various reasons. (40)



Reducing greenhouse gases requires honesty, courage and responsibility, above all on the part of those countries which are more powerful and pollute the most. (169)



“For human beings... to destroy the biological diversity of God’s creation; for human beings to degrade the integrity of the earth by causing changes in its climate, by stripping the earth of its natural forests or destroying its wetlands; for human beings to contaminate the earth’s waters, its land, its air, and its life - these are sins”.(8)

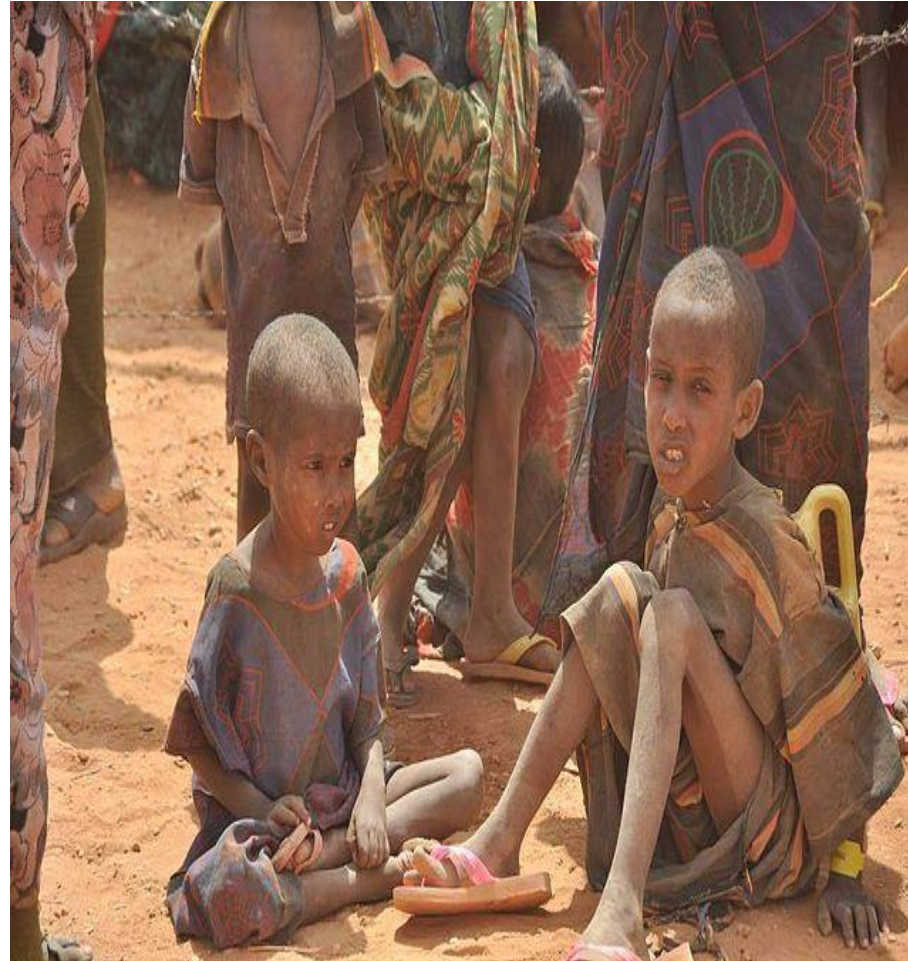


Our relationship with the environment can never be isolated from our relationship with others and with God. (119)





For poor countries, the priorities must be to eliminate extreme poverty and to promote the social development of their people (172)



Reflect upon these quotations.

What actions I take to better protect God's Creation

- a) At home
- b) At school or work
- c) In my parish
- d) In my community?