

## Season of Creation – Mantras from *Laudato Si*

**Sing it! ..... Say it! ..... Sketch it! ..... Pray it!**

*All quotes are from Laudato Si .. cf. numbers in brackets indicate relevant paragraph*

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- Wed 1 Sept: “ .. *the earth, our home* .. ” (21)
- Thurs 2 Sept: “ .. *climate is a common good* .. ” (23)
- Fri 3 Sept: “ .. *water poverty creates inequality* .. ” (28, 30)
- Sat 4 Sept: “ .. *one single human family, no frontiers, no barriers* .. ” (52)
- Sun 5 Sept: “ .. *hear the cry of the earth, the cry of the poor* .. ” (49)
- Mon 6 Sept: “ .. *live wisely, think deeply, love generously* .. ” (47)
- Tues 7 Sept: “ .. *sister earth is crying out* .. ” (53)
- Wed 8 Sept: “ .. *nature is God’s art* .. ” (80)
- Thurs 9 Sept: “ .. *all creatures are connected, inter-dependent* .. ” (42)
- Fri 10 Sept: “ .. *where is our sense of responsibility for humanity?* .. ” (25)
- Sat 11 Sept: “ .. *let solidarity and care well-up within us* .. ” (58)
- Sun 12 Sept: “ .. *everything is a caress from God* .. ” (84)
- Mon 13 Sept: “ .. *every creature sings a hymn of existence* .. ” (85)
- Tues 14 Sept: “ .. *imagine a healthier, more human, social, integral vision* .. ” (112)
- Wed 15 Sept: “ .. *pause and recover depth in life* .. ” (113)
- Thurs 16 Sept: “ .. *recover the values, glimpse the great goals* .. ” (114)
- Fri 17 Sept: “ .. *find our true selves in this world* .. ” (115)
- Sat 18 Sept: “ .. *co-operate with God in the work of creation* .. ” (117)
- Sun 19 Sept: “ .. *holiness is in the interplay between reflection & work* .. ” (126)
- Mon 20 Sept: “ .. *orient one’s life amid disorder and uncertainty* .. ” (148)
- Tues 21 Sept: “ .. *love always proves the more powerful* .. ” (149)
- Wed 22 Sept: “ .. *appreciate the immense dignity of the poor* .. ” (158)
- Thurs 23 Sept: “ .. *the common good embraces future generations* .. ” (159)
- Fri 24 Sept: “ .. *our world is a gift – freely given, freely shared* .. ” (159)
- Sat 25 Sept: “ .. *the environment is on loan to each generation* .. ” (159)
- Sun 26 Sept: “ .. *consider the cracks in the planet we inhabit* .. ” (163)
- Mon 27 Sept: “ .. *one world with a common plan* .. ” (164)



Tues 28 Sept: “ .. *land, sea, air, space – all global ‘commons’ ..* ” (178)

Wed 29 Sept: “ .. *unity is greater than conflict ..* ” (198)

Thurs 30 Sept: “ .. *draw deeply upon convictions about justice, love & peace ..* ” (200)

Fri 1 Oct: “ .. *embrace a prophetic and contemplative lifestyle ..* ” (222)

Sat 2 Oct: “ .. *living on a little means you can live a lot ..* ” (223)

Sun 3 Oct: “*inner peace, care for ecology, balanced lifestyle, capacity for wonder*” (225)

Mon 4 Oct: “ .. *praise God sun and moon and shining stars ..* ” (Ps 148:4)

“The Earth Charter asked us to leave behind a period of self-destruction and make a new start, but we have not as yet developed a universal awareness needed to achieve this. Here I would echo that courageous challenge: ‘As never before in history, common destiny beckons us to seek a new beginning ... .. Let ours be a time remembered for the awakening of a new reverence for life, the firm resolve to achieve sustainability, the quickening of the struggle for justice and peace, and the joyful celebration of life.’” (207)

(Pope Francis quoting The Earth Charter, The Hague June 2000).

“An integral ecology includes taking time to recover a serene harmony with creation, reflecting on our lifestyle and our ideals, and contemplating the Creator who lives among us and surrounds us, whose presence must not be contrived but found, uncovered.” (225)

“External deserts in the world are growing because internal deserts have become so vast.” (217)

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