ECO-ACTION FOR THE WEEK

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Clothing: Textile production, especially for fast turn-around clothing, is responsible for a surprisingly large amount of the world's carbon production, pollution, water consumption and waste, tree loss, and unjust labor practices. 75 - 80% of clothing textiles ends up in a landfill or an incinerator! (Cf. *Care of Creation*, p.7, in the recent *Holy Child Associates Newsletter*.) Not replacing wearable clothing makes a positive difference!

- **Reduce** purchases, period! Buy less and wear longer.
- Exchange with friends; organize "trash and treasure" events.
- Check second-hand stores for your clothes (and other needs).
- **Donate or share** clothing not needed.
- Avoid leather (unless recycling it).
- **Check labels** of clothes you buy to learn whether the brand helps or hinders the creation of a healthier, more respected environment. Aim for local producers (to reduce travel pollution).
- **Buy** clothing made with organic cloth.

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