ECO-ACTION FOR THE WEEK

September 24, 2021 – Actions for Our Own Dear Planet

Sacred Origins: "We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (cf. Gn 2:7); our very bodies are made up of other elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters." (*Laudato Si'* par 2) We began with, and contribute to, creation's on-going story. "We are living not only in an epoch of change, but in a change of epoch." (Martin Maier, *The Way*)

- National Migration Week is Sept. 20 26. One of the causes of migration is the weather emergencies that, since 2010, have forced an average of about 21.5 million people *a year* to become climate refugees. "If inclusion is to be meaningful, it must be based on the idea that everyone and everything is included *from the beginning*, ... *included in a web of life, set forth from the foundations of the earth.*" Rev. Dr. Barbara A. Holmes on *The Universal Christ* by Richard Rohr. **Pray** each day for the success of actions being taken this week to protect migrants.
- Consider this statement from John F. Haught, SJ: "The intellectual credibility even the survival of all religious traditions depends now on how convincingly they adapt their beliefs and aspirations to a scientifically understood universe whose spatial extension, temporal scale, and creative unfolding were unknown to religion's founders and main teachers." How do you feel about this?
- Inhale with gratitude the gift of oxygen from Earth's fragile atmosphere, formed over billions of years. Remember the divine love and energy present as God lives and acts in us and in our world. Exhale, aware that the carbon from your body feeds the life of other species for ages to come. Repeat.
- Watch, or watch again, Journey of the Universe (Amazon Prime, journeyoftheuniverse.org, or https://vimeo.com/36950412, Password: whowouldyoube619. "Moving from the image of a static Cosmos to a dynamic cosmogenesis is one of the greatest conceptual challenges for modern humans." Mary Evelyn Tucker

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