



MSOLA Journey  
towards  
Integral Ecology

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## ▼ SITUATION

One day, legend has it, there was a huge forest fire. All the animals, terrified and dismayed, watched helplessly as the disaster unfolded. Only the little hummingbird was active, fetching a few drops with his beak to throw on the fire.

After a while, the armadillo, annoyed by this ridiculous agitation, said to him: “Hummingbird! Are you crazy? You're not going to put out the fire with those drops of water!” And the hummingbird replied: “I know that, but I'm doing my bit.”

A hummingbird legend by Pierre Rahbi



## REFLECTION

Rather than doing nothing in the face of current environmental, social or economic problems because we feel powerless or think that the solution must come from others, we can act with our skills, at our level...

And even if, taken in isolation, our actions seem derisory, let's tell ourselves that it's thanks to the sum of small actions that things change and that we can transform the world.

“Be the change you want to see in the world.”

Gandhi



## THE WORD OF GOD

The Lord God took the man and settled him in the garden of Eden to cultivate and take care of it.

Genesis 2:15



## ACTION

This month let us learn to refuse what we don't need, to reduce, to share with others what we have that we don't need, and reuse what we can salvage.



## PRAYER

Almighty God, you are present in the entire universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

We pray for the whole cosmos, including our common home;

We pray for those who risk their lives to defend creation;

We pray for the Church, that it may truly imitate Jesus through all the teachings of Laudato Si;

We pray to you for social and ecological justice in our world, that we may repair the evil that creates poverty and degrades our common home.

God our Father, fill us with peace so that we can live as brothers and sisters and protect life and beauty.

Amen.

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