



## MSOLA Journey towards Integral Ecology

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### ▼ SITUATION

We are all aware that initiatives for a fairer, more environmentally-friendly world are multiplying. We can see that millions of people and global and national institutions are mobilizing in common efforts, such as the different COP sat world level, the Season of Creation, which is lived globally every year from September to early October, recycling at individual and associative level, and numerous projects by associations, Congregations, etc. Nevertheless, there is still resistance to an ecological conversion to action for a world that is loved and protected.

(Adapted from: Eric Charmetant, S.J, *Parcours Spirituels pour une Conversion Ecologique*)



### REFLECTION

The resistance comes from the fact that we sometimes prefer not to know and to continue to consume more and more, whatever the ecological price for our collective future. “Such evasive behaviour allows us to carry on with our present lifestyles and models of production and consumption.”

LS. 59 Pope Francis.



### THE WORD OF GOD ROMANS 8, 20-23

It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

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AND RENEWED COMMITMENT  
TO AFRICAN PEOPLES



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## ACTION

As a community or individually, let us take a moment of irrational confidence in progress and in human capacity. Let us observe this growing societal sensitivity about the environment and the protection of nature and rejoice that society is entering a phase of awareness. Then, taking a further look around, let us allow our questions and our concerns about the care of creation lead to recognise the value of the contribution that each of us can make. LS. 89-92 Pope Francis.



## PRAYER

God of light, life and love:

help us to seek and find your presence in all Creation.

Help us to understand the roots of the ecological crisis and give us the wisdom to live resiliently in harmony with your Creation.

Keep us firm in the belief that the gift of life in its fullness is for all Creation.

Help us to maintain hope that your reign of love is manifested in our common love for you, for ourselves and for our neighbour, both human and non-human.

Amen

( From the Season of Creation 2024 Celebration Guide)