

Young people celebrate the SEASON OF CREATION



Early in September the students of St. Joseph School in Lucinda, celebrated with Fr. Mike Polinek the “Mass of Creation.” Next, they discussed what gifts of creation they like and how they show care for various gifts of earth.

Students from Immaculate Conception School in Clarion, gathered for Mass with Fr. Monty Sayers on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Learning about the Saint, who is the patron ecology, some gathered around his statue to discuss Francis’s life and his love for God’s creatures and care for the poor of this time.



“Listen to the Voice of Creation” was the 2022 theme for the Season of Creation celebrated by Christians around the world. Beginning on September 1st each year with the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and concluding on 4th of October with the feast of Saint Francis, it is a special time to cultivate “ecological conversion” which was encouraged by St. John Paul II. In 2022, we hear Pope Francis encouraging us with these words: “If we learn how to listen, we can hear in the voice of creation a kind of dissonance. On the one hand, we can hear a sweet song in praise of our beloved Creator; on the other, an anguished plea, lamenting our mistreatment of this our common home.”