



We believe in the need to work toward the sustainability of life and support movements and legislation that secure the fundamental right to water for everyone, and that address climate change. That leads us to examine our own behaviors and policies and to adopt more environmentally sustainable practices.

We also advocate against hydrofracking; against mining that impacts indigenous and impoverished communities; for regulations that protect land, air and water; and for national and international agreements that mitigate climate change and ensure support for those most vulnerable to its effects.

Mercy reverences Earth and works more effectively toward the sustainability of life by:

- praying with Pope Francis for an “ecological conversion” in the way we individually and collectively think about and use natural resources
- “greening” our institutions
- urging U.S. legislators to take action on climate change
- standing in solidarity with communities whose health and safety, livelihoods and cultural heritage are impacted by mining and associated infrastructure



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*“Living our vocation to be protectors of God’s handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.” Laudato Si’*

*“Climate change is a global problem with serious implications, environmental, social, economic, political, and for the distribution of goods; it represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day.” Laudato Si’*