

The logo for 'MERCY EARTH CHALLENGE' features the words 'MERCY', 'EARTH', and 'CHALLENGE' stacked vertically in a bold, green, sans-serif font. To the right of the word 'EARTH' is a colorful, stylized flower or sunburst icon with five petals in shades of green, yellow, orange, blue, and purple, with a small globe at its center. The entire logo is set against a white background with green triangular accents in the top-left and bottom-right corners.

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I urgently appeal, then, for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. We need a conversation which includes everyone, since the environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all. (Laudato Si #14)

This week we celebrate *Laudato Si* for unmasking the impacts of our throwaway society on communities that are most vulnerable to global crises such as pandemics and climate change and for calling us into dialogue to shape collective solutions.

We invite you to

- [Reflect on key quotes](#) from Laudato Si (in Italian, English and Spanish)
- Read about how covid-19 is disproportionately devastating communities, especially low-income communities of color, [already made vulnerable by air pollution](#)
- Join other people of faith in urging U.S. legislators to build environmental and economic justice into covid-19 relief and recovery legislation. You may send a message to your lawmakers through Ecumenical Advocacy Days [here](#).