



The purpose of this newsletter is to provide news of RNDM involvement in actions and activities related to our ministry of Caring for Our Common Home.

Good news from Our Lady of the Missions Convent, Madurampattu, Tamil Nadu, India South

Creation is the expression of God's overflowing love and his very presence. Creation was not just an act of God, which was created at the very beginning but it is sustained by a continuous process called 'Conservation', therefore God wanted us human beings to be co-creators with him to care for and till the Earth. In returned God's creation with all its resources sustains us for our living and nourishing us with its spirituality. Water and Mother Earth are the best examples of maternal symbols, because they nourish and give life to all creatures.



Creation is not an obstacle for our holiness. The Eucharist is bread and wine taken from the Earth consecrated by the words of Christ and the

invocation of the Holy Spirit transformed

into the Body and Blood of Christ and this becomes the source and summit of our Christian life. The Church stressed that all created things are good because they come from God's creative love. As we have recently celebrated the Season of Creation with its Theme "To hope and act with creation" we need to be constantly aware of the crying Earth and be responsible to protect, preserve, and restore it, especially to avoid any actions that harm the environment. We are called to remind ourselves that those who refuse fraternity with nature are also incapable of fraternity between people.



Knowing the importance of the Earth, we as a community pray together for our Common home, planted flowers and plants in our compound several times. Our students and tuition children participated in the tree planting activity and by doing so; they come to love and nurture the Earth.

In the first week of December 2024 due to the Cyclone in some of the districts in Tamil Nadu and neighboring states in Southern India, we witnessed massive destruction of land, crops and houses etc. Some people lost their lives and some were injured. For a few days there were no transport facilities and electricity, yet God is so good and at present everything is back to normal.



From Pope Francis:

The harmony between the Creator, humanity and creation as a whole was disrupted by our presuming to take the place of God and refusing to acknowledge our creaturely limitations. Laudato Si' 66