



Fourth Day of Climate Change Novena Investing in Climate Justice, April 24, 2017

Pray:

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,

help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives,

that we may protect the world and not prey on it,

that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts

of those who look only for gain

at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,

to be filled with awe and contemplation,

to recognize that we are profoundly united

with every creature

as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle

for justice, love and peace.

- Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*

Study:

In 2015 at our Dominican Sisters Conference Convocation in Chicago, we blessed our sisters who would be traveling to the Paris Climate Treaty as our representatives. This was also a moment of celebration for all 19 of the DSC member congregations committed to investing in Climate Solutions. Some Congregations have already made investments, and the member congregations of the OPSCC expect to launch a Climate Justice Fund in the next few months that will be available to all the DSC congregations.

Despite the discouraging news we hear . . . despite the shift in the government in the United States, climate investment is growing. Here is a short list of resources to assist you in your study so that you and your Congregations can further our commitments.

Resources:

A comprehensive overview of climate finance and the options that are emerging for investors.

<http://tricri.org/climate-finance/>

World Resources Institute offers a perspective of how investments may support those in developing countries.

<http://www.wri.org/our-work/project/climate-finance>

The United Nations is celebrating the Decade of Sustainable Energy for All

<http://www.se4all.org/decade>



Act:

All 19 Dominican Congregations of the DSC committed to Climate Justice Investments. What investments are your Congregations making?