

# SEASON OF CREATION 2018

Season of Creation is an ecumenical observance filled with prayer, action and reflections on care for creation. The 2018 season of Creation's 2018 theme is "Walking Together." The observance begins *September 1 – World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation* and will end on *October 4 – the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi*.

## September 2 - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Reducing consumption, reusing items and recycling whenever possible reduce air and water pollution, keep landfills from filling up so quickly and save energy and money for both consumers and governments that have to deal with trash.

[http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/recycle\\_brocure\\_english.pdf](http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/recycle_brocure_english.pdf)

## September 9 – Food

The world's poor contribute the least to climate degradation, yet they are most affected especially as a result of climate related food insecurity. Locally grown organic items are far better than organic products shipped from a far distance. Not only are they fresher, they use less energy to get to your table. [http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/focus\\_on\\_food.pdf](http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/focus_on_food.pdf)

## September 16 – Fair Trade

Fair-trade programs give consumers an opportunity to purchase goods from producers who were paid a fair price for their work. It also offers equitable partnerships between marketers in North America and producers in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean. [http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/fair\\_trade.pdf](http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/fair_trade.pdf)

## September 23 – Earth-Friendly Products

Using products that are less harmful to the earth will make our environment healthier and thus enhance the health and well-being of all. Reducing dependency on non-renewable resources will help assure a supply for future generations. [http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/earth\\_friendly\\_products.pdf](http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/earth_friendly_products.pdf)

## September 30 - Water

Water is becoming an increasingly scarce commodity around the world, and landscaping accounts for 20-50% of residential water use. Changes in the way lawns and plants are watered can make a huge difference in home water use. [http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/water\\_brocure\\_english.pdf](http://omiusajpic.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/10/water_brocure_english.pdf)

## October 4 - Care for God's Creation

"The fact that Christ is cosmic and that nature is shaped in his likeness means too that God's face is manifest everywhere. If physical creation is patterned on Christ, then we must search for God not just in our scriptures, in our saints and in our churches..."  
Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI



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<http://seasonofcreation.org/events/>

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