



**Listen to the
Voice of creation**
SEASON OF CREATION 2022



Care for Creation
GREEN TEAM
CATHEDRAL OF SAINT MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

Season of Creation 2022 Opening Event from the Vatican Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development

1 September, 8:30 A.M.-10:30 A.M. World Day of Prayer

ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81183038431>

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***Please join us to celebrate together the
the Opening Event for the Season of Creation 2022***

**This event meets Laudato Si' Goal 6: Ecological Spirituality.
The Message of the Holy Father for the World Day of the Care of Creation**

The Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle is celebrating the Season of Creation for the third year. The **burning bush**, the Symbol for the Season of Creation 2022, reminds us that God's Creation cries out as forests crackle, animals flee, and people are forced to migrate due to the fires of injustice. Huge swaths of the planet are cooking in record-breaking heatwaves. Raging wildfires, some visible from space, have ripped through the US and EU. Over 1,100 people have died in devastating floods brought on by record monsoon rains in Pakistan. And the worst drought in 40 years in Eastern Africa could push up to 20 MILLION people into severe hunger.

On the contrary, the fire that called to Moses as he tended the flock on Mt. Horeb did not consume or destroy the bush. This flame of the Spirit revealed God's presence. This holy fire affirmed that God heard the cries of all who suffered and promised to be with us as we followed in faith to our deliverance from injustice. **In this Season of Creation, this symbol of God's Spirit calls us to listen to the voice of creation – and thereby** we'll touch all Seven Laudato Si' Goals of the Vatican's and the ADW's Laudato Si' Action Plan.