

# MESSAGE OF POPE LEO XIV FOR THE 10<sup>TH</sup> WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

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## SEEDS OF PEACE AND HOPE

*Seeds are buried in the earth, and there,  
to our wonder, life springs up,  
even in the most unexpected places,  
pointing to the promise of new beginnings.*

### SEEDS GIVE LIFE TO THE FUTURE

Let us transform every gesture  
into a SEED OF PEACE AND HOPE,  
bringing life  
even where it seems impossible.



### TO CARE FOR, NOT TO EXPLOIT

Our task is not  
to dominate the earth,  
but to protect and cultivate it  
with RESPONSIBILITY.



### JUSTICE IS ENVIRONMENTALLY AWARE

Environment and society  
are inseparable:  
defending creation means  
DEFENDING THE MOST VULNERABLE.



### CREATION IS NOT INFINITE

Deforestation, pollution,  
wars, and inequality  
are depleting  
our common home.  
ACTION IS URGENT.



### FROM SMALL TO GREAT

Every initiative, even a small one,  
can grow like a tree  
and CHANGE THE WORLD.



*"In this way,  
seeds of hope will multiply,  
to be 'tilled and kept'  
by the grace of our great  
and unfailing Hope,  
who is the risen Christ."*

## A CONCRETE EXAMPLE

The **Borgo Laudato Si'**  
in Castel Gandolfo (Italy)  
is a **laboratory for the future**,  
where ecology and community grow together,  
generating **peace** and **hope**.



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