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**June 5, 2017**

**Calendar**

June 5, 2017 World Environment Day – see attached prayer

June 8, 2017 World Ocean Day – wear blue-see resources below

June 17, 2017 Women's March to Ban the Bomb

**Taking Action**

**Today is World Environment Day**

Unfortunately as we celebrate World Environment President Trump withdrew the United States from the Paris Climate Agreement. Catholic leaders have [responded](http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org/press-release/catholic-leader-response-to-paris-withdrawal) with dismay and disappointment.

Catholic teaching insists that climate change is a grave moral issue that threatens our commitments: to protect human life, health, dignity, and security; to exercise a preferential option for the poor; to promote the common good of which the climate is part; to live in solidarity with future generations; to realize peace; and to care for God’s good gift of creation.

Let President Trump know you are disappointed with his decision and that you pledge to take action to deal with climate change.

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| [TAKE ACTION](https://default.salsalabs.org/T20c78d10-20b0-4a49-87a8-b52a02a3a275/ef51306b-e7f3-11e6-83d3-0adaa6058903) |

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**Commit to Mitigating Climate Change**

This petition is an expression to one another and to the world that we, the people of the United States, support the Paris Agreement and remain committed to mitigating climate change.

You are invited to sign a petition to The United States House of Representatives, The United States Senate, and President Donald Trump, which says:

"We, the undersigned people of the United States of America, commit to mitigating climate change and sign onto the Paris climate change agreement. "

Will you sign this petition? Click here:

<http://petitions.moveon.org/sign/we-the-people-sign-onto?source=s.em.mt&r_by=9545965>

**Tell your Senators to Oppose the House Health Care Repeal & Replace Bill**
As Congress prepares to recess next week for Memorial Day, the Senate is moving closer to formulating legislation to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act (ACA). CHA has strongly opposed the House-passed American Health Care Act (AHCA), and the most recent analysis of that bill has done nothing to lessen the harm it will do to millions of Americans who have gained coverage under the ACA and who rely on the Medicaid program. It is critical that all senators hear about our opposition to the House AHCA bill, that it is unfixable, and the need for the Senate to start over to fix the ACA.
A sample letter, background materials and talking points are available on [e-Advocacy](https://u1686704.ct.sendgrid.net/wf/click?upn=ugKGI5DzEh8lCfGs6UG1qdYebPtmc3jrv0-2BdOfMXOxGl2MBVaylcGHkNBUNM9Nzl9-2B0FEP5LO3Ym1z8rcjtKqs09yk5tZ-2FdQGLmiSbyNAsRDyFcUKtWhahbdlBB3TXk8c-2FOy0g2pEGJ7zXLHWNciGlA4dIbfuoSfKNimRW4WtaSVvpuS2kh-2FWXEs1RRgmWGaEd-2FqQTUbLb0jWpCObAemzQ-3D-3D_-2BL2xbdii4CTgUu4VTkH6-2BFzQsAHCcMTJdFwqyBdU0LqVCQ8hDYUUFfAN0TfSq7Jl25nVnn6MK3hGk4nkrBLw0Agm75MiVdYUj5kCf3W9mtiwjV3IEH9omMB0lUz0gHJg7J-2Byr-2FYvygBpKQB2IXMr8A1nmHD-2BIjYJlunh9NByhivXXX5oKlP6ozepR19mfyX-2BnWiisG09CwYQ2SYZYNyvVUTIgzByAPbfoZ-2F7yKdGDiE-3D). **Please note to modify the draft letter** where indicated to include your role — nurse, doctor, employee, patient, board member — in the organization to illustrate the broad reach of our opposition message.

**Eliminate Styrofoam**Live in California? Hate Styrofoam? Styrofoam doesn’t break down—it will outlast all of us! Instead, it ends up in our landfills, our waterways, and even our bodies. This is bad news because styrene, which Styrofoam is made of, has been linked to cancer. But here's the good news: a new bill (California Senate Bill 705) would eliminate plastic foam food and beverage containers at restaurants and other food service providers statewide in California!

**We need your help.** [**One phone call from you today could stop polystyrene pollution in our rivers and on our beaches**](http://action.storyofstuff.org/call/ban-foam-containers-ca/?t=6&akid=6981.1041071.dWf5yi)**.**

**We've got a script written to help if you're feeling tongue-tied.**[**All you have to do is dial!**](http://action.storyofstuff.org/call/ban-foam-containers-ca/?utm_source=styrofoam-email&utm_medium=email&t=7&akid=6981.1041071.dWf5yi)

***Those of you live in Senator Allen’s Senate District 26 - Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, El Segundo, Santa Monica, Westchester, Brentwood, Mid City communities Please call and thank him for introducing this bill. His number is 916 651-4026.***

**Information/Reflection**

**We are the women who see**

**injustice, violence, greed**

**and fear**

**Good News for Earth and Future Generations!**

At the ExxonMobil annual meeting on May 31 our resolution asking XOM for a report on how it will align its business with the 2°C warming scenario was **supported by 62% of shareholders, a majority vote!** After the vote, the Company said that the Board of Directors will be formally reconsidering its opposition to our ask!

The 50+ filers included **NWCRI members:** Congrégation des Soeurs des Saints Noms de Jésus et de Marie, the Sisters of Providence, Congregation of St. Joseph of Peace, Tacoma Dominicans, Cottonwood Benedictines, Lacey Benedictines and Carmelite Nuns.

**Read the letter in response to President Trumps’ refusal to Sign the Paris Agreement by click on the following:** [2017.06.01 - Catholic Leaders Respond to Paris Withdrawal.pdf](http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org/press_releases/2017.06.01%20-%20Catholic%20Leaders%20Respond%20to%20Paris%20Withdrawal.pdf)

**Women's March to Ban the Bomb**

The Women’s March Ban the Bomb is a women-led initiative building on the momentum of movements at the forefront of the resistance, including the Women’s March on Washington. It will bring together people of all ages, races, abilities, nationalities, cultures, faiths, political affiliations and backgrounds to **rally at 9 AM - 11 AM Saturday, June 17th 2017 in Los Angeles CA and around the world.** March in Los Angeles begins at Hollywood and Highland (6801 Hollywood Blvd)

**Resources**

**World Oceans Day**

This day was first introduced in 1992 to raise awareness of the crucial role the sea

Click on one or more of the following for resources on World Ocean Day

[Power of Our Way Blog: World Oceans Day Song, Prayer, and A ...](http://powerofourway.blogs.com/power_of_our_way_blog/2010/06/world-oceans-day-song-prayer-and-a-global-call-to-action.html)

[**World Oceans Day**](http://www.worldoceansday.org/)

[**World Oceans Day 2017 | United Nations Educational, Scientific and ...**](https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=11&ved=0ahUKEwiyqoHr66bUAhUIilQKHXNQDSwQFghQMAo&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.unesco.org%2Fnew%2Fen%2Foceans-day&usg=AFQjCNH7V4Dk2h4pP4MjE-786ON7bvG5Ow&sig2=JC8Q6nj9jneEw-8vKwhYoQ)