



Statement of Commitment Sisters of St. Francis, Sylvania OH

As followers of Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi, the Sylvania Franciscan Sisters and their Associates have a deep awareness of the beauty of creation, its importance as the source and foundation of all life and as God's first act of self-revelation. Our faith calls us to respond to the social, ecological and spiritual needs of our day.

As a congregation, we embrace the Laudato Si Action Platform and commit ourselves to the seven-year journey of living ever more deeply into an integral ecology. This commitment marks our willingness:

To take up the "urgent appeal" of Laudato Si, to listen to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor as a community priority.

To live our charism more deeply through an ongoing socio-ecological conversion of heart.

To take bold, concrete action, wherever possible, to address the multiple crises afflicting our common home – the planet and its peoples.

To practice nonviolence, as we reconcile and heal the pain of creation and sow hope for peace.

As we make this commitment, "Let us sing as we go. May our struggles and our concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope."(LS244)

Sister Nancy Linenkugel

Signed by Congregational Minister

Saturday, November 6, 2021

Date

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Laudato Si' Icons of Saint Francis & Saint Clare
Left: Painter: Friar Juan Rendón Herrera, OFM
Right: Painter: Friar Oh Seung Min