



SEASON OF CREATION  **Green Churches**
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KEY DATES

**IMPORTANT DATES OF
RECOGNITION AND AWARENESS
SEPTEMBER 1ST - OCTOBER 4th 2022**



September 1 World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

“Caring for God’s creation is a spiritual commission requiring a response of commitment. This is a critical moment. Our children’s future and the future of our common home depend on it”

-Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, Pope Francis and Archbishop of Canterbury Justin



September 15 International Day of Democracy

Make your voice heard for environmental protection, anyone can do it! In Canada, young people have been leading the way for many years. Groups and organizations continue to pressure governments to take concrete action on climate change.



International Day of Clean for Blue Skies

“Air pollution is the single greatest environmental risk to human health and one of the main avoidable causes of death and disease globally, with some estimated 6.5 million premature deaths across the world attributed to indoor and outdoor air pollution.”

- United Nations

September 7



International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer

“The phaseout of ozone depleting substances have not only helped protect the ozone layer for present and future generations, but have also contributed to the global efforts that address climate change; it has protected human health and ecosystems by limiting the harmful UV radiation from reaching the Earth”

- United Nations

September 16

September 17

World Cleanup Day

“The simple act of cleaning has become a force that binds together people and groups that would otherwise never dream of working towards the same goal.”

A citizen’s movement now in more than 190 countries to clean up the beaches, rivers, forests, and streets on the same day. This global clean up has mobilized millions of volunteers and organizations across the planet.

-worldcleanupday.org



September 22

World Car Free Day

A great opportunity to reduce air pollution!

Cities worldwide participate in this initiative and encourage motorists not to use their car for the whole day, choosing alternative transport instead.



International Day of Peace

“For too long, we have been waging a senseless and suicidal war on nature. The result is three interlinked environmental crises. Climate disruption, biodiversity loss and pollution that threaten our viability as a species. They are caused by unsustainable production and consumption”.

- United Nations

September 21



International Day of Awareness on Food Loss and Waste Reduction

“Globally, around 14 % of food produced is lost between harvest and retail, while an estimated 17% of total global food production is wasted:

- 11% in households,
- 5% in the food service,
- 2% in retail.”

- United Nations

September 29

September 30 World Maritime Day

"The oceans are the earth's major shapers of climate. The health of the oceans is essential to human well-being, to biological diversity and to the stability of our world's climate. And the oceans are home to countless species of life, from great whales that are loved by all to tiny creatures that only God knows."

-Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew. June 8, 2016



The Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi Day

On this last day of the Season of Creation, many churches welcome pets inside and offer a blessing of the animals while paying homage to St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology. It is also **World Animal Day** and **World Habitat Day**, where we can reflect on our relationship with all the creatures of the Earth and live simply like St. Francis of Assisi.

October 4



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*"The heavens are Yours, the
earth also is Yours;
The world and all it contains,
You have founded them"
Psalm 89:11*



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