

Earth Day Celebration for Twinning Relationships

Plan to celebrate Earth Day with your Haiti twin this year! Include your whole parish community and school. The simultaneous celebration can occur on Earth Day itself, April 22nd or a different mutually decided upon day.

Communicate with your twinned parish several months in advance of Earth Day to make plans for a simultaneous Earth Day celebration. The below ideas can be used to plan your dual celebration. Each partner can create a scrap book of the events with pictures and reflections included and then send the scrap book to the twin in the other country to share the experience. You may need to have the materials translated into French or Kreyol.

Wear a green arm bands:

Take used material (reuse, recycle) to make arm bands for each participant to wear on Earth Day.

Build a Life-sized Sculpture

Each partner can build a sculpture from used and recycled materials. Have the community save items that they would throw away or recycle such as newspapers, plastic jugs and aluminum cans for two months prior to Earth Day. On Earth day the participants can create a sculpture and take pictures to share with their twin.

Plant Trees or other Appropriate Vegetation

Each twin can plant a tree or other vegetation. Take pictures to share with your twin.

Create a school/community garden

Gardening allows people to connect directly with the earth as the source of food and life upon which we are dependent. Make earth Day the opportunity to plant a garden.

Write an Earth Day article

Write an article on some aspect of Earth Day or environmental issues, have the article translated and send it to your twin.

Pledges

Have people sign an Earth Day pledge (see sample provided).

Hold a prayer service

You may used the attached prayer service or create your own.