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Franciscan Care for Creation

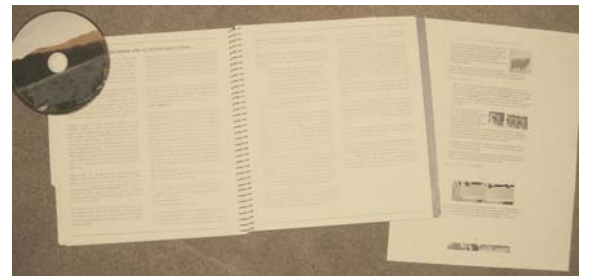
a Franciscan ecological training program from the
Franciscan Action Network



The C4C Franciscan Care for Creation program is the Franciscan Action Network's new adult formation program to prepare parishioners for putting faith into action addressing important ecological issues. Catholic Social Teaching calls us to respond to our ecological vocation, and St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi inspired a vision that can help to do just that. The C4C process is meant to inform, inspire, challenge, and invite participants to respond.

This adult formation program is designed as a mini-series of six (6) weekly or bi-weekly sessions. Sessions are led by a facilitator who works with a small group of adult learners. Each session lasts from 2-3 hours and includes prayer, stories, visuals, readings, and discussion. The C4C process will provide learners with an overview of pressing creation issues (including climate change and clean water issues), an introduction to a Franciscan perspective on the God-human-nature relationship, a description of the processes of civic engagement, a list of resources for further learning, and suggestions and ideas for ways to put faith into action in caring for God's Creation.

The C4C program materials include a facilitator's handbook with six session plans, participant handouts, companion DVD, supplemental PowerPoint slide shows, and an evaluation sheet for each session. The facilitator's handbook is an easy to use manual that walks learners through the process of understanding ecological issues from the unique Franciscan perspective, and responding with action steps to mobilize your parish. Learn how to analyze your own household or parish ecological footprint, create a plan for greening your home and parish, and form a C4C ministry team to address local ecological issues in your community.



The C4C Curriculum will be available for purchase by the early spring of 2010, so adult formation program leaders will have the time to recruit C4C facilitators, plan, schedule, and advertise the C4C program, and enroll participants for the fall of 2010.

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