

PLASTIC FREE JULY

July is Plastic Free Month

“The fundamental relation between humanity and nature is one of caring for creation” (*Renewing the Earth*, USCCB, 1991). How we deal with our plastic garbage is a critical action to care for creation. Did you know that only 30% of plastic water bottles actually get recycled? During the month of July, you can make a difference by reducing your use of disposable plastics that end up in landfills and in our oceans that pollute and harm wildlife. For additional information and activities during July go to www.plasticfreejuly.org.

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Have you decided whether to commit to healthy recycling of plastics? To be better stewards of the earth? July is Plastic Free month when we make choices about using and disposing of plastics that harm our environment and the future for our children. For example, how about choosing paper straws rather than plastic, or using reusable water bottles rather than disposable? Learn more at www.plasticsfreejuly.org. **“The most profound motive for our work is this knowing that we share in creation. Learning the meaning of creation in our daily lives will help us to live holier lives”** (*Laborem Exercens*, Pope John Paul II, 1981).

Help protect our earth – Plastic Free July

This month is Plastic Free month, when we make better decisions about using and disposing of plastics that harm our environment. Opting to be aware of our plastic usage is critical to the health of the planet. As Pope Francis states in *Laudato Si*, **“Leaving an inhabitable planet to future generations is, first and foremost up to us.”** Visit www.plasticfreejuly.org for more information, stories and suggestions.

