

**Wednesday, April 17**



**Message From Reclaiming Earth Committee**

The holiest week of the liturgical year: As we immerse ourselves into the passion, death and ultimate resurrection of our Brother Jesus, let us not forget the interconnectedness of ourselves, all of creation and our God.

“On the basis of this self-revelation of God in Christ, some profoundly important things can be said: that God is a God of radical compassion and love, that in the cross God enters into and embraces the suffering of a suffering world, that death is not the final meaning, and that God is a God who brings life out of death.”

Denis Edwards, *Ecology at the Heart of Faith* (Pg 39)

“Sacramental theology reflects a particular view of God and creation. In terms of ecology, it reminds us that the earth, plants, animals and human beings are united by the Incarnate Word. The incarnation is not seen as an influence from the ‘outside’ of life but as the ground and goal of the entire world process. And it is because the incarnation is the ground of the life-process that creation has final significance.

“Eschatology reminds us that creation is not seen in static terms but as moving toward a fulfillment grounded in the incarnation.”

Gregory Brent, C.M., *Earth Revealing: Earth Healing, A Timely Reminder* (Pg 173)

As you pray and reflect, can you see the connections of integral ecology with the passion, death and ultimate resurrection of Jesus?