



STEWARDS OF OUR EARTH *All of God's Creation*

Praying for our Country's Peaceful Transition and Unification through a Culture of Care

The culture of care thus calls for a common, supportive and inclusive commitment to protecting and promoting the dignity and good of all, a willingness to show care and compassion, to work for reconciliation and healing, and to advance mutual respect and acceptance. As such, it represents a privileged path to peace. -- Pope Francis, Message for the 54th World Day of Peace, January 1, 2021 (See full text of message at [A Culture of Care as a Path to Peace.](#))

A Cry of Peace

Father of Jesus,
You who sent your angels to herald your Son's coming with cries of peace,
Hear our cry now
That your peace may touch all corners of our world.
Peace to the smallest child, still in the womb.
Peace to the most vulnerable of our elderly, who long to see your face.
Peace to the migrant fleeing war, persecution, hunger and poverty.
Peace to the citizens of those nations to which migrants flee.
Peace to the those touched by violence and disaster,
By storms and quakes and droughts and floods,
Who struggle to find safety and mercy in the very world you made for us.
You whose Son called all peacemakers blessed,
Help us forge peace in your name.
Peace among nations.
Peace among neighbors.
Peace among families.
When we look back on this time
May we recall it as the time we all heard the angels' cry
And worked together to reveal that peace to all.
A peace worthy of God, born into the world. Amen
(Catholic Relief Services, January 2021)

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.