

MSLRP Eco-Stewardship News

Eco-Calendar

EARTH DAY AT THE MISSION: 4/26, 10 - 4 PM

ECO-FILM AT THE MISSION: "RENEWAL", 4/28, DINNER AT 5:30 PM, MOVIE TO FOLLOW

MSLRP ECO-STEWARDSHIP MEETING: 5/21 AT 7 PM

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Top Ten To-Do List

- Wash laundry in cold water
- Buy local produce
- Walk, ride your bike, take the bus or the train
- Buy appliances and light-bulbs with a low energy use rating
- Plant a (native-species) tree
- Compost
- Reuse
- Recycle
- Skip the screen saver - Set computer monitoring to off automatically
- Adjust heat down and air conditioning up

Our Church Cares for Creation

In the John Paul II's 1989 address "The Ecological Crisis: A Common responsibility" and the U.S. Catholic Bishops' 1991 document "Renewing the Earth", the Church emphasized the spirituality of caring for the earth. Even earlier, St. Francis's vision of the interconnected world was expressed in his "Canticle of Creation", which is beautifully depicted inside our Serra Center.

Responding to these calls-to-action and to reports from World Watch, the U.N., and other global experts, congregations and parishes are "going green", looking for ways to minimize their environmental impact and to support the health of local ecosystems. Sustainable community gardens, energy-saving facilities, and native-species landscaping are a just few of

Business Manager Alan Hartman and Youth Ministry Coordinator Angie Muro have teamed up to start a recycling program at the MSLR Parish. Youth from the MSLR Parish school have already distributed recycling bags to many parish households, and pa-



their successful projects

MSLR Parish has joined this growing movement by establishing an Eco-Stewardship Ministry. Meeting on the third Thursday of every month at 7 p.m., the group looks for fun, practical ways to care for creation.

To learn more, email the Eco-Stewards at ECOMSLRP@gmail.com, or contact Karen at (760) 547-0701

MSLR Parish Recycles!

rishioner have generously contributed plastic, glass, aluminum cans, and news papers. After only a couple of months, Alan reports that the recycling collection unit is nearly full!

The Parish receives "cash for trash", so if you haven't al-

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www.energystar.gov

www.savepower.lbl.gov

Use renewable power:

www.eere.energy.gov/eetd_resources.html

www.green-e.org/your_e_choices/pyp.html

Drive climate-friendly cars and trucks

www.fueleconomy.gov

www.calcleancars.org

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ready received your recycling bag, please contact Alan or Angie at the Parish Office:

(760) 757-3250

Proceeds will go to fund other Eco-Stewardship projects.

The March Eco-Stewardship Meeting featured a presentation by AgPALS on how to create hydroponic grow boxes. To receive information on this topic, please contact the Eco-Stewardship Ministry at ECOMSLRP@gmail.com.