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Environment Care

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Educate

After a great convention and information on Our Common Home, I have further information to share.

Did you know that fashion is the second worst polluter? The garment industry produces over 100 billion new garments from new fibers every single year. The production of cotton with a reputation of being natural, clean and eco-friendly uses more water than any other fiber. It takes more than 20,000 L (5,283 gal.) of water to produce 1 kg (2.2 lbs.) of cotton, which equals one t-shirt and one pair of jeans.

Engage

I challenge you to view the items below and think about what you can do to help remedy the problem. Please share them at a council meeting and/or via email to your members.

You Tube Videos:

- Five Fantastic Facts about Organic Cotton-Natracare: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kfjoD_Kbml0
- Pros and Cons of Common Fabrics: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9QmTnHNb8ro>
- Organic Cotton: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o0LFVIwhiPA>

On Line Web Sites: www.unwater.org/world-water-development-report-2019-leaving-no-one-behind/

- www.triplepundit.com/story/2016/quenching-cotton-thirst-reducing-use-water-cotton-lifecycle/57196
- www.aboutorganiccotton.org/fieldtofiction

Empower

As part of the above challenge, invite your parishioners to join you. Form a committee within your community and include the schools. We had it first hand from the students of St. William Eco School.

May Our Lady Good Counsel bless you in all your work.

Elisabeth Duggan “God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love, for all the creatures of this earth, for not one of them is forgotten in your site. Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference, that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live.” -A part of “A Christian Prayer in union with creation” Laudato Si Pope Francis