

DAYS OF PRAYER

NOVEMBER 2020

10 am - Unfinished Creation – focusing on the stone image of God creating Adam found in Chartres Cathedral, outside Paris. We are human ‘becomers’.

We are incomplete but under the deep concentrating gaze of God’s loving care. We take our strength from resting there. Psalm 104 and 1 John tell us more about this. There are three things to know: we receive the **GIFT** of life, the **MYSTERY** of our becoming and the **PROMISE** that we will be like God when our creation is eternally complete. A book by David Runcorn, ‘The Unfinished Creation’ contains some of these ideas.

4 pm – St. Francis – the Patron Saint of Ecology who experienced God’s Creation as his brothers and sisters. Using words which St. Francis prayed, including the ‘Canticle of the Creatures’, this time of prayer shared some of Francis’ journey towards God focusing on his humility and adoration. To follow up, read anything by Richard Rohr, Franciscan in heart, mind and spirit, or David Atkinson’s book ‘Renewing the Face of the Earth’.

8 pm - Psalm 104 – praying through the Psalms words with the help of some spectacular and beautiful images. The phrase ‘Wildly Wonderful World’ was especially effective in describing how God, who created Earth and the Natural World, declares His Wisdom and Priorities for **Shalom** that is, **harmony** within in all Bio-diverse relationships. We prayed, ‘The light of Christ has come...**to shine on all creation**’. Maybe spend some time reflecting on Psalm 104.

December’s **Day of Prayer** will be Friday 11th December 10 am 4 pm 8 pm