Earth Day 2021

On Thursday, April 22, 2021, the Wheaton Franciscan Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation office (JPIC) and the Invitational Church Circle honored the 51st Anniversary of Earth Day with a tree planting and prayer service. The buildings and grounds crew prepared a small part of Mother Earth on the Wheaton Franciscan campus to receive a Kentucky Coffee Tree. It is small now, but will be nurtured and cared for and will grow to a height of 60-75 feet with a branch spread of about 50 feet. It is truly a majestic tree with beautiful yellow color in the fall and its dark bark is beautiful against the white backdrop of winter.

Around 40 people gathered for the tree planting service held at noon. In the evening, nearly 28 people gathered by Zoom for a virtual prayer service including a video showing photos of previous Earth Day events and the various ways the Wheaton Franciscan community has contributed to "restoring our common home." The video is available on the Wheaton Franciscan website https://wheatonfranciscan.org/earth-day-2021/.

As we closed both prayer services we prayed, We are a people of hope. We hope for the future. We hope for change. We hope for the healing of the Earth. Let us also be a people of action.
Congratulations to Our Lady of the Angels (OLA) Associate Tim Seabolt on his retirement. Tim has worked on the Campus for the Sisters and Marianjoy for 26 years. He has been a true partner in ministry. Blessings to Tim on your retirement and all that the future holds for you. We will miss you!

Congratulations to OLA Associate Joe Wesolowski. Joe has been promoted to Supervisor of Maintenance and will be taking on most of Tim’s responsibilities, as well as other items of importance within the Building and Grounds department. Blessings to Joe on your well-deserved promotion to Supervisor.

Happy Spring Flowers!

From the yards of Sr. Shirley (right) and Srs. Sylvia and Bea (below)
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