Sister's Spin

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Today, on this feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the celebration of the Season of Creation ends. The theme for this year stressed contemplation of the earth as our "home." This morning, as I prayed my Office (Some Religious pray a shortened form of the Divine Office prayed by priests), one of the first psalms was Psalm 84 and the first line was "How lovely is your dwelling place..." While the psalm refers to the dwelling of God, it made me think of the dwelling on which God has placed us. How lovely is this earth where truly God does dwell with us. The Season of Creation reminds us that it is our task to keep it lovely, and perhaps we are not doing that so well. Just because this special Season of Creation ends today, it does not mean that our care for this earth needs to end. If anything, we are reminded during this Season to think of ways that we can improve our "home" so that all may enjoy what God has created. On this feast of St. Francis, perhaps it is good to make a pledge to oneself of a way that one can work to keep this dwelling place lovely for future generations.

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