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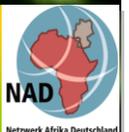
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St. Therese of Lisieux has taught us how to walk in the 'little way' of love. Similarly, Pope Francis stresses the importance of the simple gestures and small daily decision to achieve an 'integral ecology'. They restore to our lives a sense of dignity and value, just as God has given even to the tiniest creature a unique beauty and an infinite value.

Here are some texts from Laudato Si':

Every creature is thus the object of the Father's tenderness, who gives it its place in the world. Even the fleeting life of the least of beings is the object of his love, and in its few seconds of existence, God enfolds it with his affection. (77)

Each creature possesses its own particular goodness and perfection ... (69)

There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions... (211)

Saint Therese of Lisieux invites us to practise the little way of love, not to miss out on a kind word, a smile or any small gesture which sows peace and friendship. An integral ecology is also made up of simple daily gestures which break with the logic of violence, exploitation and selfishness. (230)

Prayer

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