

New This Week – August 8, 2018

1. The National Catholic Reporter has posted an article that August 1 human consumption of the earth's resources this exceeded the planets capacity to restore itself in a year. That means roughly humanity is consuming 1.7 earth's this year. The Earth Overshoot Day has been coming earlier year over year. Please read this sobering article and share the information as you have opportunity. [https://www.ncronline.org/news/environment/eco-catholic/let-sink-weve-already-used-years-worth-earths-resources?utm\\_source=Aug+7+ +Eco+Catholic&utm\\_campaign=cc&utm\\_medium=email](https://www.ncronline.org/news/environment/eco-catholic/let-sink-weve-already-used-years-worth-earths-resources?utm_source=Aug+7+ +Eco+Catholic&utm_campaign=cc&utm_medium=email)
2. The synod office has been closed for holidays, so we are catching up on our website postings. Welcome, Bishop-elect Jason Zinko!
3. August started a new blog series based on articles by Professors Rhoads and Rossing of the Lutheran School of theology, Chicago. They propose five mandates for congregational mission and ministry in an ecological age. Check out the article and follow the weekly, six-part blog, as mythic St. Peter Lutheran Church on the Lake begins its Fall programming. Perhaps you will get some neat ideas for your own.
4. There have been some additions to the resource list. Check that regularly. New additions, whether books, links or videos, are, marked for your convenience.