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MELTING ICE, MENDING CREATION:

a Catholic Approach
to Climate Change

October 8, 2013

A NATIONWIDE EDUCATION PROJECT

The Basilica of Saint Mary is pleased to participate in an important national climate change education event.

The **Pontifical Academy of Sciences** calls "on all people and nations to recognize the serious and potentially irreversible impacts of global warming caused" primarily by human activity, especially the burning of fossil fuels.

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WHAT: *Melting Ice, Mending Creation:* A Catholic Approach to Climate Change

In celebration of the **Feast of St. Francis** the The Basilica of Saint Mary will join hundreds of other Catholic parishes, schools and colleges in a program *Melting Ice, Mending Creation: A Catholic Approach to Climate Change*. The program highlights the Pontifical Academy of Science's Working Group (PAS) statement, [*Fate of Mountain Glaciers in the Anthropocene*](#), combined with viewing a "TED" talk by [James Balog](#), the science photographer behind the documentary film *Chasing Ice*, who documented some of the most vivid evidence yet of climate change. The program will offer a facilitated discussion and steps that viewers can take to respond to the unfolding climate perspective based on authentic Catholic teaching.

WHEN: October 8th 6:30 PM in conjunction with the Feast of St. Francis

WHERE: Basilica School, room LL1

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Pope Francis has both inspired us with his humility and challenged us with his words urging us to make care for Creation and care for the poor a significant part of our Catholic witness: *Let us protect Christ in our lives, so that we can protect others, so that we can protect creation!* ~ March 19, 2013

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI: "Can we remain indifferent before the problems associated with such realities as climate change .?" 2010 World Day of Peace Message, No. 4