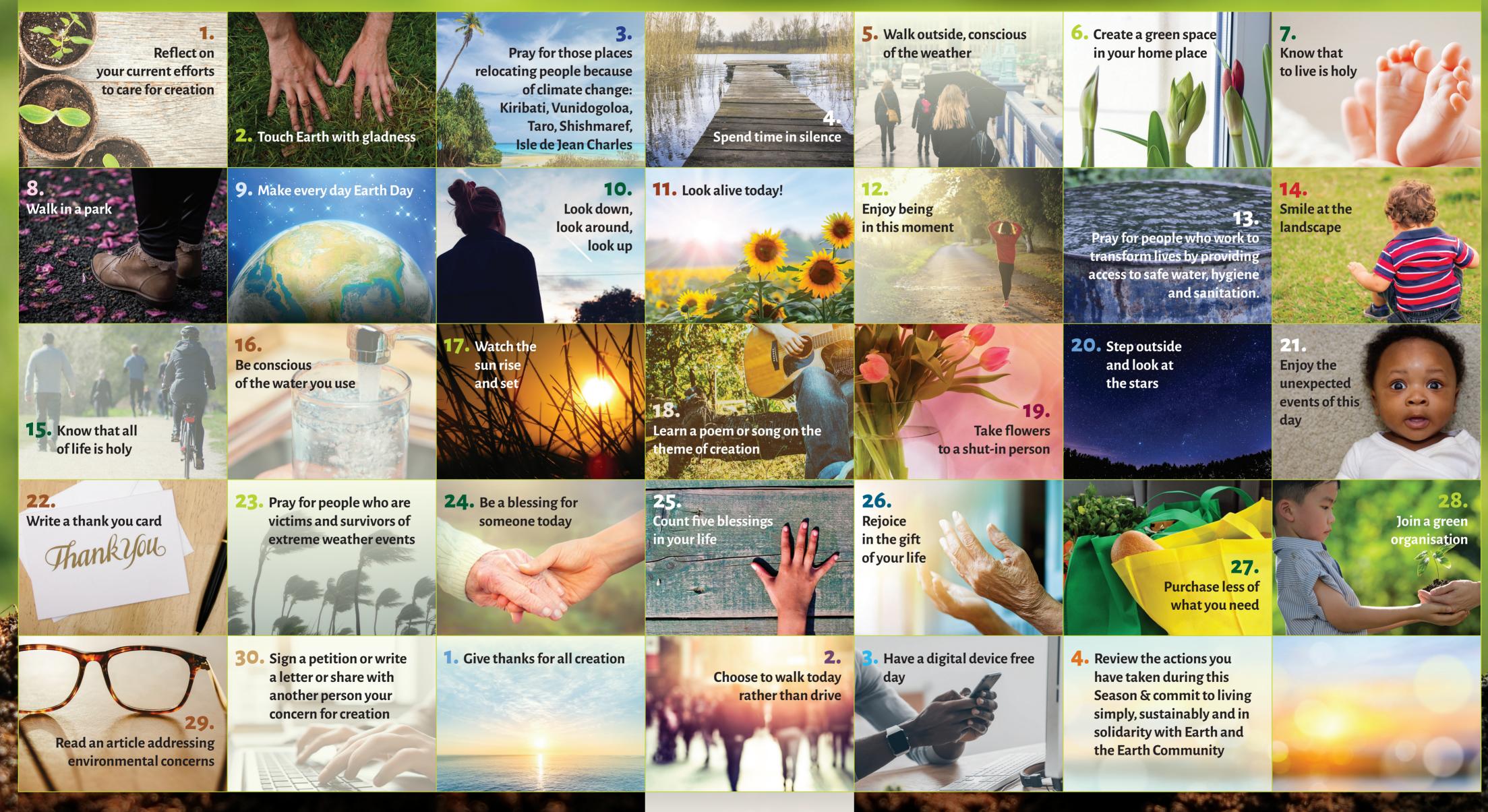
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'Each human being is an image of God ... each creature has its own purpose. None is superfluous. The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God...The universe as a whole, in all its manifold relationships, shows forth the inexhaustible riches of God.' Laudato Si'#84, #86

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'We need to take up an ancient lesson... the conviction that "less is more"... a return to that simplicity which allows us to stop and appreciate the small things, to be grateful for the opportunities which life affords us, to be spiritually detached from what we possess, and not to succumb to sadness for what we lack....' Laudato Si'#222