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BEARS BATTLE CLIMATE CHANGE

- Caretakers of God's creation
 - Keepers of our sisters and brothers, here and around the world
 - Philippines Partner Project (GSACRD Schools & Development & Peace)
 - "On Climate Change, there is a clear imperative to act!" (Pope Francis, 2014)
- Return your card to school so we can celebrate our Actions for our Lenten Project.

<u>Actions</u>	<u>Times Practiced</u>	<u>How did it feel?</u>
Reduce use of vehicles -walk, bike, take the bus -carpool, combine errands - be organized, don't forget things that take extra trips!	□□□□□□□□	
Reduce and Reuse (better than recycling) -say no, don't buy things you don't need -be happy with what you have -wear hand me downs - Donate your clothes/toys	□□□□□□□□	
Save Electricity -shut off lights & appliances when not needed - power down electronics, avoid daily charging	□□□□□□□□	
Avoid Disposable items -buy larger quantities and use reuseable containers -avoid items with excess packaging	□□□□□□□□	
Take care of our soil -eat meat less often, especially beef -take home organic waste from school for GREEN BIN or to compost	□□□□□□□□	
Pray for Action! (see over) Donate to school-building project!	□□□□□□□□	

LET US CREATE A CLIMATE OF CHANGE:

Lord, you gave the whole human family
a beautiful planet to share,
Thank you for this gift!

Lord, help us act to take care of our Earth,
stop wasting and polluting,
destroying our beautiful lands and seas.

We want to stop changing the climate,
which is destroying human lives and nature.

Give us the courage to act,
to change our lifestyles,
to be respectful caretakers of your creation!

MEET 11-YEAR-OLD JONACEL BERJA FROM THE PHILIPPINES



Jonacel has a little brother and two little sisters.

For breakfast, she eats rice and sometimes fish or chicken. She goes to school in a pedicab, a kind of 3-wheel bicycle-taxi. Her favourite subject is math because she loves solving problems.

When she grows up, she wants to be a teacher to help little children learn to read, write and count. After school, she helps her mom do the dishes and clean house, or babysits her sisters.

On November 8th, 2013, her country was hit by the strongest typhoon in its history: Super Typhoon Haiyan. When the typhoon hit her home, she was very scared, and found refuge in a church.

Development and Peace is now working with Urban Poor Associates to help her community recover. When we asked Jonacel if she had a message for children in Canada, she answered: "Like me, go to school every day and help your mother and family in your house."

All 16 schools in Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools are partnering with Development & Peace to help build a school in Tacloban in the Philippines. We have been given the honour of naming the school. The new Pope Francis School will serve students like Jonacel. Please join us in giving the gift of learning and love to our brothers and sisters devastated by Typhoon Haiyan. AND, our work to reduce the effects of Climate Change will help to reduce weather-related disasters, like Typhoon Haiyan, in the future!

WHAT STARTS HERE, CHANGES THE WORLD!