## Ashadeep - Novitiate

The created things of this world are not free of ownership. "For they are yours O Lord, who love the living" Wis 11:26

During the season of creation, from the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 4<sup>th</sup> October, we joined Pope Francis and the global community to listen to the creation and sing praises to God with gratitude for the wonderful gift of our Mother Earth and all the lavish gifts of God our loving Father. During this season, we made a conscious effort to be aware of the life around in the trees, flowers, fruits and vegetables, chickens, rabbits, squirrels, butterflies, birds and bees in our campus. We took special care of them with the awareness that we were participating and collaborating in the creative works of God. Our hearts were filled with wonder and gratitude as we gathered fruits and vegetables, eggs, flowers etc., from our garden.

We prayed every day for peace and harmony in the world. We become aware of being members of one family of our one common home and our responsibility towards our Mother Earth – to care and nurture creation.

We joined the Diocesan Apostolic School and the Sisters of St. Ann to celebrate Karma festival and learned the importance and significance of celebrating this nature festival. Fr James Beck explained to us how tribals are intimately connected to nature and its rhythm. We also learned Karma dance and danced together with the traditional dress and tribal musical instruments. We had special prayer service with meaningful readings from the scripture and hymns of praise and thanksgiving guided by our Novice Mistresses

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