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Energy Aware Tuesdays

In times like these where almost any activity needs electricity, we have to look for ways to save energy. Electricity production from fossil fuels is the biggest source of greenhouse gases and, in Indiana, we get 89% of our electricity from coal and natural gas.

Saving energy is not only good for the environment, but good for your wallet too! Small actions such as turning down the thermostat on your water heater, or bigger investments like purchasing ENERGY STAR appliances, start paying off right from the start!

Lord - every breath we take is evidence of Your loving mercy. Help our gratitude and love for You to be evident not just in the words we speak, but also in our care for the environment, and with lifestyles that can be easily sustained by an earth we share with others.

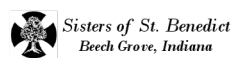
Take Action!

- Read a book or pray instead of watching TV or using the computer
- Open the curtains facing the sun during the day and close the curtains at night
- Challenge yourself to go a whole day without turning on any lights
- Insulate the first 3 feet of pipe that enter/exit your water heater
- Wash clothes with cold water - today's laundry detergents work just as well in cold temperatures

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Resources

More ways to save

- [31 Ways to Save Energy in Your Home \(with coloring page\)](#)
- [10 Simple Ways to Save Money on Your Energy Bill](#)

Impacts of energy waste on the environment

- darksky.org/light-pollution/energy-waste/

Media and tools

- [Renewable energy, explained](#) (video)
- [EPA's Carbon Footprint Calculator](#)
- [Caring for God's Creation One Solar Panel at a Time](#) (Catholic Energies)
- [Encyclical Climate Action Kit](#) (Interfaith Power & Light/Catholic Climate Covenant)

Articles

- [Top 11 Things You Didn't Know About Saving Energy at Home](#) (Energy.gov)
- [7 Easy Ways to Make Buildings Energy Efficient](#) (EcoWatch)
- [Getting off Fossil Fuels, One Conversation at a Time](#) (Catholic Climate Movement)

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