

Summer 2019



Dear Friends,

"The way we respond to the natural environment directly reflects the way we treat human beings..."

-His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew

Applying to Christians and people of faith everywhere, we can agree ***the gift of our environment continually reflects the beauty of God***, and in a world of differing opinions on just about everything, that is hopeful.

At New Skete we are passionately aware of how blessed we are; the sun shining warmly through the clouds, water traveling enthusiastically down Two Top Mountain, the surrounding trees bestowing shade and generating wind. Creatures, big and small bolstered by the spirit of St Francis, share our world and contribute to our paradise. Daily we pray on what it means to steward this little piece of the world today and how our actions benefit others in the future not our own.

Globally, the issue of the care and keeping of our environment is overwhelming, making us feel ineffective, helpless and defeated. Nevertheless, irrespective of where you live, equipped with awareness and faith your actions can be tremendously impactful.

NEW SKETE MONASTERIES

CAMBRIDGE, NEW YORK

would like to invite you to be a part of our

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2019

Along with the activities going on throughout the day,

(anticipated schedule [LINK](#))

we are excited to announce our Guest speaker;

Gayle Woloschak,

Presenting;

Good Earth- Caring for God's Creation

Please find information [LINK](#) on how you can be a part of the Pilgrimage by: requesting prayers, making a donation or honoring friends and family in the **2019 Pilgrimage Event Program Book**.

Please know we keep you in our thoughts and daily prayers. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity of prayers, kindness, and friendship!

All are welcome and encouraged to join us for this joyful day of celebration. Check out event updates at newskete.org! May God's blessings be on all of you and we hope to see you on **August 10th**.

In Christ's love,

Handwritten signature of Brother Christopher in black ink.

Brother Christopher
Prior, Monks of New Skete

Handwritten signature of Sister Cecelia in black ink.

Sister Cecelia
Prioress, Nuns of New Skete