The Earth is the Lord’s: Catholic Theology of Creation, Ecology and the Environment
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Examine the creation theology of two extraordinary 13th Century colleagues at the University of Paris, St. Bonaventure and St. Thomas.
Examine three key New Testament texts that shaped our understanding of Christ as the Incarnate Word, the Cosmic Christ, and the One who suffers along with a suffering world.
Gain an overview of the development of key Catholic Social Teachings on ecological and environmental issues, beginning with Vatican Council II, including some regional documents, and ending with Benedict XVI’s 2009 encyclical. This course’s finale includes a close up view of saints Francis and Clare of Assisi, two models for sustainable and holy living.

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