



Sister Catherine Darcy participates in a pilgrimage on the Hudson River.

## **Mercy community embraces Pilgrimages of Hope for Creation**

The Mercy community celebrated and prayed for the Critical Concern of Earth during this year's Season of Creation, September 1 to October 4.

Mercy sisters, associates and staff led at least 18 of the 230 Pilgrimages of Hope registered on the Catholic Pilgrims of Hope for Creation website and participated in other pilgrimages, incarnating the connection between Mercy and Earth in a myriad of ways.

Mercy-organized pilgrimages took place across the United States, from Philadelphia to the Permian Basin of New Mexico. Participants learned about regenerative farming in North Carolina; prayed at sites across the campus of College of Saint Mary in Omaha; took a camping trip with students at the University of Detroit Mercy; visited the

Delaware Botanical Gardens to explore the past and future life of water in Baltimore; and prayed at offices, homes and schools across the Institute. Mercy Ecology offered an [online pilgrimage](#) spread out over several days.