

Reflection Friday Week 27 – 2021

Let all the inhabitants of the country tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming, yes, it is near. (Joel 1:13). These words should be our war cry today because of what is happening to the climate. Joel could have been talking to us today because this world is heading for darkness and destruction! And, as Jesus says, we cannot sit on the fence. There is only one choice if you want to live. Live more simply, be less wasteful, recycle, reuse, give aid to the poorer countries.

The ode to Cop21 in Paris still rings true.

Oh, how we miss you, you Paris Accord!

By considering himself lord, as his confidence soared,
our President struck a chord wielding his veto sword,
courting his base, loyalty assured, science ignored.

While earth temps reach new highs, sea levels rise,
a polar bear sighs, as she loses her icy franchise.
Humans and organisms of various size, with earthly ties,
hear numerous cries, chances real for their own demise.

It's so unexpected, those acts of defiance
those who dismiss climatology as pseudo-science?
Human survival may depend on a science reliance,
dare we ignore discoveries that forge an alliance?

Cars and planes represent amazing design,
as are medical lifelines for illnesses not benign,
foods on which we dine, exotic materials so fine,
all signs of science enabling humans to shine.

So, how is it possible climate science is dismissed
by naysayers and their supporters frustrated and miffed, an unholy tryst?
They refuse to desist, often with a clenched fist,
to acknowledge the gist of the environmental check-list.

What can we do to avoid being tense, to face the suspense,
with a President caring mostly for his own immense magnificence?
I say let's not stress; common sense will overcome nonsense
For nothing lasts forever—naysayer Trump lost his presidential license!