

JUSTICE, PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION - Fiji.

THE WAILING OF GOD'S CREATURES

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING,
HUMAN ACTIVITY AND THE
COLLAPSE OF BIOLOGICAL
DIVERSITY.

Adapted from the Report by Laudato
Si' Research Institute for CIDSE,
CAFOD and GCCM on the Current
Biodiversity Crisis

March 2021

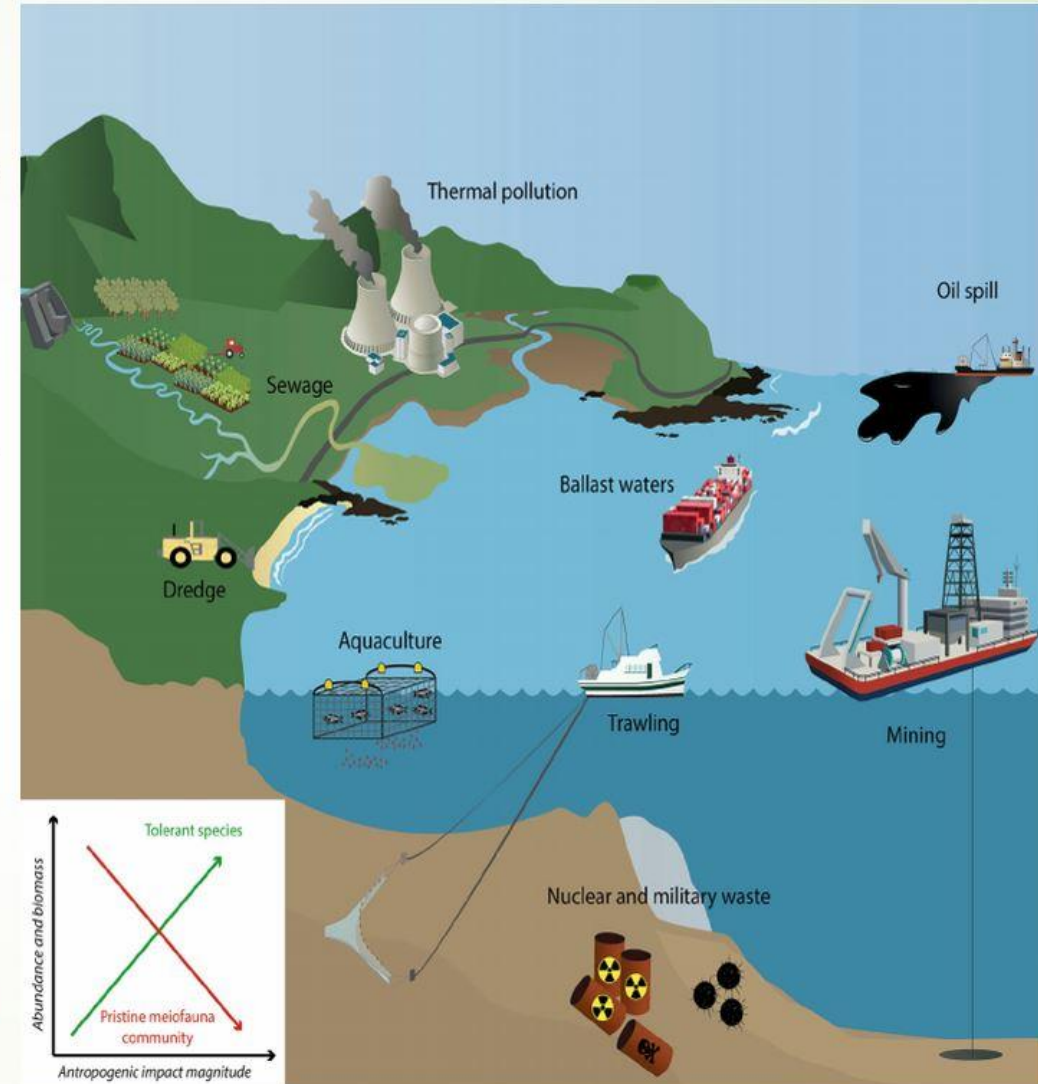
*Picture: Nasavu Falls, Naqali,
Naitasiri, Fiji Is.*



The crisis of Biological Diversity loss demands immediate attention from all, including, and perhaps especially, the Roman Catholic Church.

1. The **anthropogenic** decline of biodiversity has reached such a dramatic level that biologists **consider it the beginning of a sixth mass extinction....**
2. In the course of which the planet could lose the majority of its wildlife...
3. Making it impossible for the system to adapt any further....

Anthropogenic...Human Impact on the Environment.



What is Biodiversity?

Biodiversity, the variety of life in all its many manifestations and Levels.

1. Genetic
2. Organismal
3. Ecological

An evolved complex web of interdependent, elements of Life which without we cannot survive.

Types of Diversity

Genetic Diversity

Diversity of genes within a species



Species Diversity

Diversity among species in an ecosystem



Ecosystem Diversity

Diversity of a habitat in a given unit area

