



Resources to help  
your diocese on its  
journey.

# INAUGURAL CATHOLIC DIOCESE ENVIRONMENT CONFERENCE





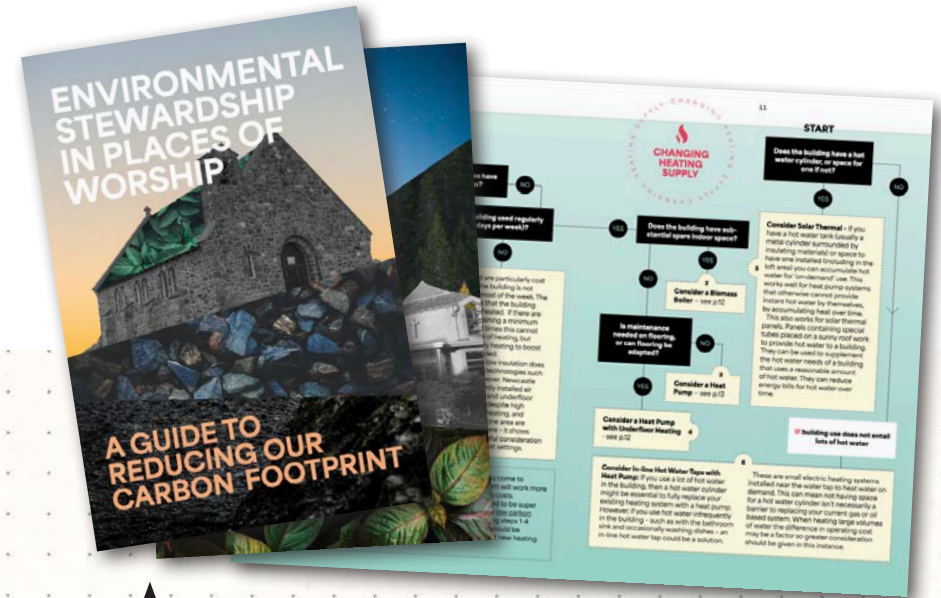
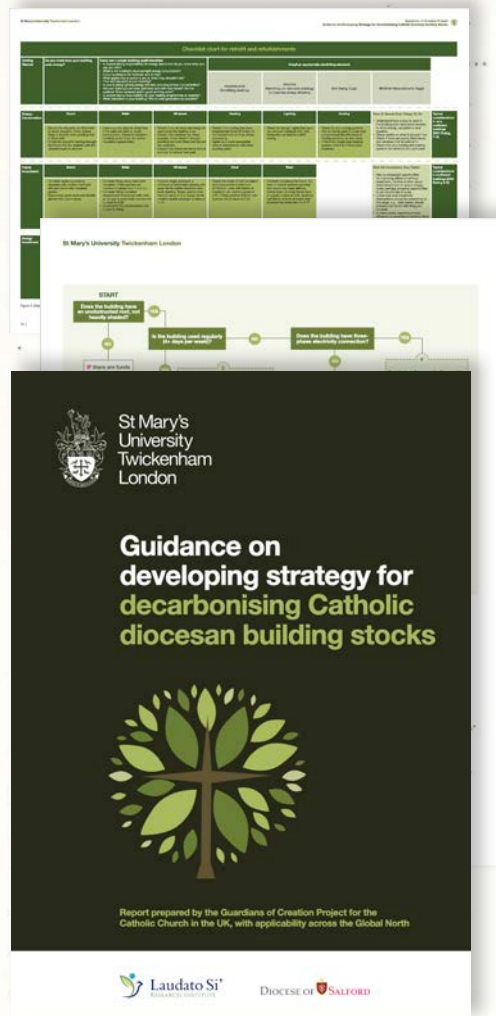
St Mary's University Twickenham London  
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# Guardians of Creation

The Guardians of Creation Project is an interdisciplinary, multi-institutional research programme investigating the technical, sociological, organisational, and theological paths to sustainable and ecologically sensitive change in the Catholic Church. The project offers guidance on many aspects of how faith-based organisations can respond to the ecological crisis and has a special focus on Catholic diocesan decarbonisation.

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<https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/research/areas/theology-and-ethics/guardians-of-creation-project/about.aspx>



## Parish facing resources

- Environmental stewardship in places of worship

## Diocesan resources

- Guidance on developing strategy for decarbonising Catholic diocesan building stocks.
- Guidance on Catholic diocesan carbon accounting
- Understanding Catholic Parishioners' responses to the ecological crisis
- Retrofit and Refurbishment Checklist

## Education Resources

- Developing whole-school approaches to sustainability in Catholic education
- Educating and empowering Laudato Si' Champions in Catholic education
- Laudato Si' Champions toolkit for educators



# The ECOLOGICAL CONVERSION GROUP

Registered charity no:  
1197384 in England  
and Wales

[www.theecg.org](http://www.theecg.org)

The ECG aims to reintegrate the social and environmental into the conscious mission and vision of the Catholic Church (integral ecology), in order to respond to the "cries of the earth and cries of the poor". Christians are all called to an ecological conversion "whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them."

Putting Jesus, the source and summit of ALL creation back into the centre of all our relationships with the earth and our neighbours, bringing interior peace.

## We Provide...



### Talks and Workshops

We provide talks and workshops on Laudato Si' and care for creation.



### Resources

We create resources to help individuals and communities to bring the Good News to all creation.



### Consultancy

We work with partners on all matters relating to care of creation including resource creation.



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## THE JOURNEY TO 2030

[www.journeyto2030.org](http://www.journeyto2030.org)

The Journey to 2030 project seeks to help our communities to dream of and build a better future for all. Allowing our Church property to be the hubs of building the kingdom, integrating environmental, social and spiritual needs.



## 'Building a Caring Community' Activity Poster Pack

This poster activity pack is specifically designed to be a starting point for a school, parish or community in addressing pastoral planning and community consultation in an holistic lens. It is designed to help bring concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace, in an integrated, synodal, community response.



## ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Looking at life through the lens of Laudato Si'

**Sixth Form Syllabus**







## Northern Dioceses Environment Network

The Northern Dioceses Environment Network welcomes all working to care for our common home. Meetings typically include individual parishioners, Diocesan workers, and volunteers from environmental groups wanting to hear and learn from each other. Supporting the geographical areas from approximately Shrewsbury, Salford and Hallam dioceses northwards it is similar to the Southern Network, meeting regularly on zoom throughout the year, but also meets in person once a year.

To be added to the mailing list please email:  
**climate.ndeg@gmail.com**



[www.environmentsouth.org](http://www.environmentsouth.org)

## Southern Dioceses Environment Network

This network brings together Catholics and all our friends who care for creation to take action for our common home. We meet online on the second Monday of every month (except April and August) to share updates, inspiration, and opportunities for collaboration.

All are welcome to attend our meetings, as a one-time visitor or regular participant.

We welcome parishioners, clergy, religious, activists, and members of organisations such as Laudato Si' Animators and Diocesan staff and volunteers.

For the Zoom link, more details, or to be added to the mailing list, please contact us:

**environmentsouth@gmail.com**





## Laudato Si' Centre

The Laudato Si' Centre at Wardley Hall is the Diocese of Salford's ambitious response to the international call by Pope Francis to people of all faiths in his letter 'Laudato Si' – Care for Our Common Home'.

The diocese wanted to create a place of education and outreach mission that generates environmental hope in those that visit or access our resources.

The Laudato Si Centre engages with people of all faiths and none. Since 2023, we have welcomed over 7,500 visitors including school groups, parishes, community groups, and individuals wanting to learn and change for the benefit of our common home.

The walled garden and woodland on the estate of Wardley Hall have been re-purposed to help people to learn how they can take practical action to tackle climate change. As well as learning, staff at the centre run spirituality and well-being programmes, connecting all to God's creation.



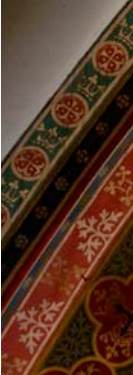
For additional information and further resources please see:  
[www.laudatosicentre.org.uk](http://www.laudatosicentre.org.uk)



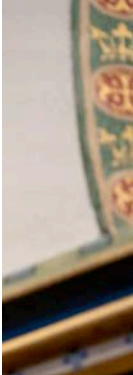




## The Catholic Diocesan Environmental Leads Network.



The principal role of the Diocesan Environment Leads (DEL) is to support and encourage change across our Dioceses in keeping with Laudato Si and to share good practice, building on the group's combined expertise and capabilities. It is important that members of the DEL share well with one another, to ensure that no good ideas are trapped, but best practice is shared. The DEL has already certainly borne fruit in several ways, from distributing useful information and sharing learning about how dioceses, parishes and individuals can take action to care for our common home and in supporting the "Guardians of Creation Project" which advocates decarbonisation of our building stock, carbon accounting and behavioural change. The DEL provides a bridge between all the Dioceses and between themselves, to help support curia as we care for our common home.



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