

10 WAYS YOU CAN LIVE LAUDATO SI' for Organizations

The Laudato Si Pledge is a powerful way to express your organization's commitment to respond to climate change and to #LiveLaudatoSi. By signing the pledge as an organization, you are becoming a member of the Global Catholic Climate Movement, joining 400+ other institutions in caring for our common home.

In the coming weeks and months, we'll be sharing more ideas and resources for those who want to Live Laudato Si', and help you connect to the wider network. But here are some ideas to get you started:

Pray with and for creation

"Our relationship with the environment can never be isolated from our relationship with others and with God."—Laudato Si' 119

- 1. **Pray for creation** as a staff by using one of the prayers from Laudato Si (see here) or any of these.
- 2. **Take a group break outside** to receive nature's "words of love" (LS 225)
- 3. **Organize a prayer service** during Season of Creation (September 1-October 4) to celebrate this special time when Christians join together in prayer and action for creation.

Live Simply

"There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions."—Laudato Si' 211

- 4. **Encourage your staff to walk, bike or carpool to work.** Consider finding a way to connect people who want to carpool.
- 5. **Adopt ecologically friendly practices** in your workplace such as using reusable cups and plates or offering compost and recycling.
- 6. **Take time to be present to each other.** To listen, reflect, and nurture your relationships at work.

Advocate to protect our common home

"There is an urgent need to develop policies so that, in the next few years, the emission of carbon dioxide and other highly polluting gases can be drastically reduced."—Laudato Si' 26

- 7. **Divest from fossil fuels** as part of a growing movement of Catholic institutions cutting financial ties with fossil fuel companies and reinvesting in renewable energy. See our divest-reinvest resources for more information.
- 8. **Connect** with other local organizations advocating for the climate.
- 9. **Participate in our ongoing advocacy initiatives:** Look out for our emails on ways you can raise the Catholic voice on climate.
- 10. **Spread the word:** Let friends know what you've done and invite them to take the pledge. Use our toolkit (link when available) to invite your parish or diocese to do so as well. This is a global crisis, and it will take all of us working together to make the changes we need. "Truly, much can be done!"—Laudato Si' (180)