





# FOREWORD

“The urgency of the impact of climate change has never been clearer. Every continent, the icecaps and the oceans have all seen the impact of the damage being done and the threat to human life, wildlife and biodiversity. But there is a growing voice among people of faith and no faith, among the young, that radical measures are required. It is important that each and every one of us takes our part in caring for our common home, as stewards of creation. The Ecological Conversion Group is making an important contribution to raising the level of awareness and offering practical measures that we can all put into practice. Working together we will make an impact.”

RC Bishop John Arnold, Diocese of Salford

“I welcome the Ecological Conversion Group’s Annual report and the charity’s continued success both in our diocese, and others in England and Wales. Pope Francis calls on us all to ‘care for our common home’, with the Journey to 2030’s vision of the Church, as a vehicle of environmental and social justice, one that people across our community of faith are being galvanised by. I wish all those working as part of this initiative for the flourishing of the natural world, and the safety and security of our brothers and sisters across our global family, every success in the coming months and years.”

RC Bishop Richard Moth, Diocese of Arundel and Brighton



Ecological conversion’ is a commitment, inspired by faith, to change our lives so as to help heal the threefold rupture caused by sin, with God, with other human beings, and with the natural world.

It is the process of change towards living in a right relationship with Creator and creation. Recovering a God-centred life, living in communion with all that surrounds us.

# INFORMATION

Charity Name and structure:

The Ecological Conversion Group (registration number 1197384) is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered on 6th January 2022. It is represented by the following board of trustees:

- John Paul de Quay (Chair)
- Claire O’Sullivan
- Edward de Quay
- Rosie Read
- Fr Benedict Fadoju
- Dr Emma Gardner (served 01/04/22 - 07/11/22)

As laid out in the constitution, apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of two years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

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# OBJECTIVES

Taking Pope Francis' Laudato Si' as our guide, our aim is to rebuild social fabric through positive, engaging resources that weave together involvement from all aspects of community, ensuring a holistic approach that integrates environmental and social action.

We help the Church and its wider communities hear both 'the cry of the Earth' and 'the cry of the poor'. We encourage people to respond in an integrated way, motivating through faith, education and awareness raising, as well as encouraging creative solutions for long lasting, transformative, social and ecological change. Our charitable objectives as laid out in our governing document are:

## To advance the education of the public, in particular but not exclusively by:

- promoting and creating online resources focussed on integral ecology, focussed on but not limited to members of the Catholic Church;
- providing and assisting in the provision of resources for environmental education in schools and other educational establishments, primarily in the United Kingdom;
- promoting the holistic environmental education of people of all ages in such ways as the charity trustees think fit.

## The advancement of the Catholic religion for the benefit of the public mainly, but not exclusively, by:

- promoting the teachings of Pope Francis' Laudato Si' on care of our common home, the promotion of ecological conversion and integral ecology;
- developing the capacity of the Catholic Church to acknowledge and respond to the ecological and social crises as laid out in Pope Francis' Laudato Si'.

## To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment by promoting the key messages of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si':

- To advance the education of the public, particularly but not exclusively members of the Catholic faith, in the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment in particular, but not exclusively by:
- promoting the principles of sustainable living that individuals can undertake such as sustainable waste management, recycling and community gardens
- encouraging grassroots organisations, such as Catholic churches and schools, to make sustainable behavioural changes in their communities.

## We meet our purposes through the following activities:

- Creation of resources – creating opportunities for churches, schools and religious communities to engage with environmental and social issues.
- Consultancy – helping organisations both national and international to integrate ecological and social issues, making scalable and cost-effective ready-made solutions.
- Talks and workshops – educating schools, parishes and communities on the interconnectedness of social and ecological issues and of our interior motivations.
- Network support – directly engaging with our communities to motivate and encourage action. Giving people the opportunity, capability and motivation to come forward as change makers within their local communities.
- Communications and engagement – sharing of good news stories to inspire others through participation in networks and through our blog.
- Journey to 2030 website – The Journey to 2030 website ([www.journeyto2030.org](http://www.journeyto2030.org)) is key to our vision of creating resources that are accessible to all. It is a hub for people to see and contribute to positive visions of the future for their communities.

# TIME LINE OF KEY EVENTS

**09/05/2022** Presented on biodiversity for the Southern Diocese Environment Group. <https://westminsterjusticeandpeace.org/southern-dioceses-environment-network/>

**09/06/2022** Journey to 2030 delivered a biodiversity talk to the Care of Creation group at the Association of Catholic Chaplains in Education Conference, Leeds.

**27/06/2022** Delivered three workshops to Sixth formers for their ethics day.

**22/07/2022** We launched our Let us Dream posters at the National Justice and Peace Conference and ran a mega workshop with the whole conference (more on this below).

**01/10/2022** Our first 'Let us Dream' workshop in Launceston Deanery, Plymouth.

**22/10/2022** 'Let Us Dream' Deanery workshop in Bamber Bridge, Salford Diocese, as part of the Guardians of Creation research project. <https://journeyto2030.org/let-us-dream-activity-workshops-begin/>

**09/11/2022** We delivered an assembly on discipleship to St Gregory's Year 7s (Archdiocese of Southwark).

**12/11/2022** Delivered a workshop using the 'building a caring community' activity posters with the Poole deanery of Plymouth diocese for their World Day of the Poor.

**16/11/22** Took part in a round table discussion on behaviour change as part of the Guardians of creation project.

**03/12/22** Our second deanery day in Salford diocese for the St John Southworth deanery.

**09/01/2023** Presented Journey to 2030 resources at the Northern and Southern dioceses environmental meeting.

**13-15/01/2023** In partnership with Boarbank Hall, we delivered an online workshop about Laudato Si' in your parish. With input from Bishops

David Oakley and Terry Draine.

**28/01/2023** Delivered talk to Arundel & Brighton's Justice and Peace Assembly

**04/02/2023** Conducted 'Let us Dream' workshop in York deanery, Middlesborough Diocese.

**07/02/2023** Delivered talk to Chichester parish, Diocese of Arundel & Brighton.

**13/02/2023** Presented at Southern Dioceses Environmental Network.

**17-19/02/2023** In partnership with Boarbank Hall, we delivered an online workshop about Laudato Si' in your parish. With Input from Bishops Patrick McKinney and Ralph Heskett.

**07/03/2023** Conducted 'Let us Dream' workshop in Cathedral deanery, Diocese of Arundel & Brighton.

**08/03/2023** Attended Guardians of Creation research paper launch (more on this below).

**24/03/2023** Delivered talk to Sixth Form students at Cardinal Pole school, Homerton.

**25/03/23** Participated in Integral Ecology farming conference at the Laudato Si' Research institute, Oxford.

**27/03/23** Participated in the School for Synodality Conference event.

**Total number of workshops/talks: 22**  
**Total number of people attending talks and workshops: 1178**



# RESOURCES

## The Journey to 2030 website

Since launching last in 2021, we have been working hard on building and expanding The Journey to 2030 website to show the vision of the Church as a vehicle of environmental and social justice, springing from our faith. It serves as a useful resource to any communities of individuals wanting to transform the world.

In the last year, we have been consistently adding new content; resources, blogs, and good news stories from our global community – sharing expertise, tools, and support to enable our Church to work together to make a difference. Check out our new section for schools.

As the website grows and reaches new audiences, we are adding and adapting based on your feedback and ideas – so please let us know what you'd like to see and, importantly, if you have any good news stories to share in our blog.

Visit [www.journeyto2030.org](http://www.journeyto2030.org) to see what we have been up to.

JOURNEY

LET US DREAM ACTIVITY

ACTIVITY POSTER PACK

RESOURCES

LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

INSPECTION FRAMEWORKS

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THE JOURNEY TO 2030

SCHOOLS

Helping school communities dream of, and build a brighter future for all

Your school journey to 2030

HOW CAN BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE START WITH OUR SCHOOLS?

For each community, progress in building the Kingdom of God will look different, as it meets different needs and embraces and encourages different gifts. To encourage your school community in this, We have some activities to offer

IN THIS SECTION YOU WILL FIND

Our 'Let Us Dream' creative activity

'Building a Caring Community' activity poster packs

Other resources.

THE JOURNEY TO 2030

helping our communities to dream of, and build a better future, for all.

Responding to our love of God

Responding to the cry of the poor

Responding to the cry of the earth

JOIN OUR CREATIVE CHALLENGE 'LET US DREAM'

WE NEED TO TAKE DREAMING AND IMAGINING SERIOUSLY IF WE ARE TO CREATE THE HOPE THE WORLD NEEDS TO SEE RIGHT NOW.

Go to Let Us Dream Page

FIND A LOCAL NETWORK

FIND ONE OF THE MANY CHURCH SOCIAL ACTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORKS ACROSS THE UK

Find a local network

'BUILDING A CARING COMMUNITY' ACTIVITY POSTER PACK

A TOOL FOR COMMUNITY MISSION THROUGH THE LENS OF THE LAUDATO SI GOALS

Find out more Buy from the Shop

BUILDING A CARING COMMUNITY

A Guide for parishes, schools and faith communities to help care for creation in all its forms.

EXPLORE PARISHES EXPLORE SCHOOLS

Resources for community action

To help you choose and maintain your efforts in a community are have selected some useful resources and links. A project should be sustainable in more ways than one.

IDEAS FOR ACTIONS

AWARDS AND PROGRAMMES

PROJECT PLANNING RESOURCES

GETTING A TEAM TOGETHER

Is Come here to work, learn and live well?

Building a Caring Community

Local Problem

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# “Building a Caring Community” Poster Pack

Our latest resource, the “Building a Caring Communities” poster activity back, is being used across the country (and world) by groups and individuals to help their communities dream of and build a better future. This is a resource that uses the “See-Judge-Act” framework as a guide to creating a parish or community project tailored to local and global needs. The current version of the pack has been downloaded/printed 49 times; we are in the process of evaluating the resources to improve them based on the feedback of those who have used them.

## THIS RESOURCE PACK HELPS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS..



### SETTINGS

Suitable for a range of community settings including parishes, schools, religious communities and families.



### GOALS

Engages communities in the Church’s Laudato Si’ goals allowing an exploration of integral ecology.



### PROJECTS

Can be used to infuse care for creation into any project or program, fitting into the ‘see’ of a see-judge-act-framework.



### PRIORITISES AREAS FOR ACTION

Identifies what needs to be done better. Helps identify a direction for action.



### COMMUNITY CAPACITY

Builds community and helps form teams.



### INTEGRATED ACTION

Helps communities integrate environmental, social and spiritual mission. Centred on love of God.



### SYNOD

Integrates ecological and social action into our communities synodality.



### RECOGNITION OF EXISTING EFFORTS

Identifies what is already being done well. Calls for celebration.



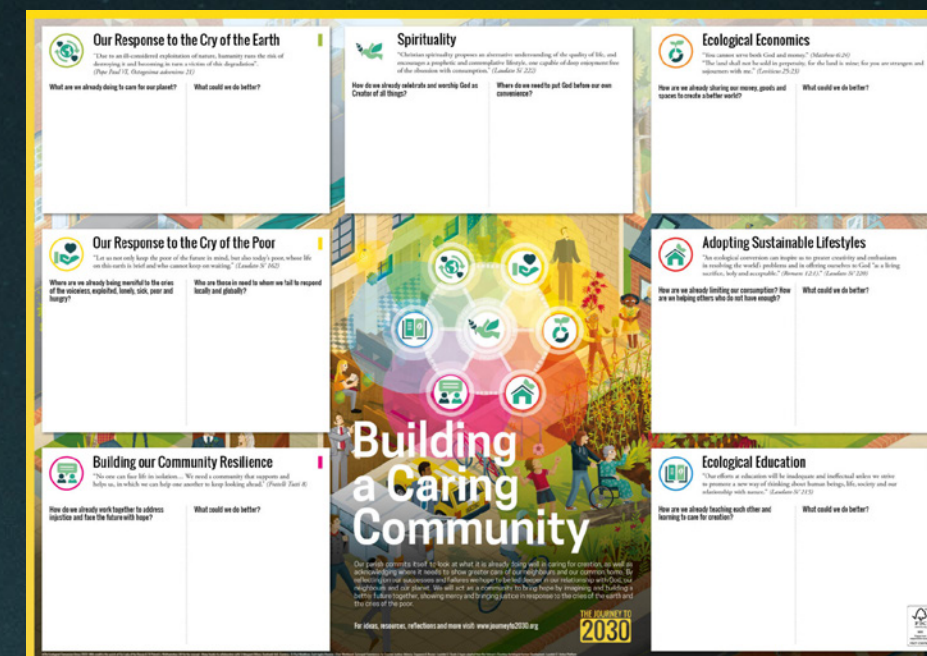
### AWARDS

Developed to be fully compatible with and encourage the use of existing awards and programs.



### ASSESSMENTS

Can be used as an ecological and social audit or assessment.



## A2 POSTER

Large poster for display and wider community engagement. It can equally be used to engage people who are unable to attend a meeting, draw attention to the mission, and display your parishes findings with pride or a steely determination to do better.



## A3 POSTER AND ACTIVITY CARDS

A smaller focus poster and cards for a group activity. This is the same as the A2 poster in a format suitable for group discussions.



## FACILITATOR HANDBOOK

A4 12 page facilitators guide includes:.

- Guide to using the posters
- Group discussion guide
- Simple explanations of key concepts: Integral Ecology & Ecological Conversion
- Reflections and guidance on the Laudato Si’ Goals.
- A selection of Prayers







# ACTIVITIES & UK COLLABORATIONS

## Deanery Workshops

In October 2022, we started our first deanery workshops; training days using the Building a Caring Community poster pack to build local network designed to:

- Help participants realise the potential of our communities to make real change in the world.
- To encourage them to dream about and share the world they would like to see.
- To help form a deanery network of people keen to make a change.
- To give training on using Journey to 2030 resources, so that by the end of the session you will have the confidence to run these activities in your parishes, schools and communities.

We will be continuing to run these workshops in deaneries over the coming months.

Read more about it [here](#).



## Boarbank Hall Retreats

Having completed six online retreats during the pandemic, we were delighted to run two more in January and February of 2023. In partnership with Boarbank Hall, we ran two weekend programmes with contributions by Bishop David Oakley, Bishop Terry Draine, Bishop Ralf Heskett and Bishop Patrick McKinney. These were a great opportunity to meet new people and reconnect with others who had previously participated in a retreat. These retreats, particularly listening to the challenges faced by individuals wanting to do more, have helped form many of our resources. You can catch up on what the Bishops had to say here: <https://theecg.org/about/what-do-our-bishops-have-to-say-about-care-for-the-planet/>

Sue Grubic, Faith & Justice Worker for Lancaster Diocese has written a lovely reflection on her experience at one of our Boarbank Hall Retreats from earlier this year. You can read all about it on page 4 of the MouthPiece [here](#).



Sr Margaret Atkins focused on the theme of Hope, while John Paul spoke on 'Folly and Fellowship' what we can learn about tackling our ecological crisis from Tolkien.





# National Justice and Peace Conference

We had the pleasure of being invited to speak at the annual National Justice and Peace Conference held in Derbyshire, UK. John Paul spoke to the whole delegation about signs of hope in our times, introducing The Journey to 2030 'Let us Dream' activity and inviting people to come with us in re-imagining a better future. We led the final input to the conference, talking of our need to be co-creators, rather than spectators in helping our Church communities to be hubs of the change we would like to see in the world. What does a Christ centred community look like? And how can Justice and Peace flow from it? Arming the participants with art-pens and paper we asked them as groups to sit and discuss practically what this future looks like, as the first step towards getting there on our Journey to 2030.

You can hear his talk here:

<https://www.justice-and-peace.org.uk/conference-reports/john-paul-de-quay-ecg-signs-of-hope-journey-to-2030/>

And read the write up of the conference here:

<https://www.justice-and-peace.org.uk/conference/>



Right: Report of the event in the Tablet

## JUSTICE AND PEACE Conference explores concept of hope across various cultures

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**THE NATIONAL** Justice and Peace Network's 2022 conference last weekend saw experts, activists and campaigning organisations hosting a series of conversations on the theme "Hope Is A Verb With Its Sleeves Rolled Up".

Around 150 delegates listened to speakers including former diplomats, peace campaigners, environmental activists and conflict-resolution experts over the three-day conference, held in Swanwick, Derbyshire.

The keynote speaker, Philip McDonagh, poet, diplomat and academic, gave a talk reflecting on the concept of hope in the encyclicals of Pope Benedict XVI.

Following on from the wartime insights of C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien, McDonagh proposed that Christians help formulate "axioms of the historical imagination" that could "provide a common criterion of evaluation across cultures". Such a proposal could create "community even among people and groups who never interact directly".

Other speakers included Patrick Devine, chair of the Shalom Centre for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation, who spoke about his award-winning peace-building work in East Africa. Other events at the conference included workshops on universal credit, prison reform, tax reform and a film about activists opposing the destruction of forests for coal mines in Germany and the UK.

John Paul de Quay of the Ecological Conversion group gave a talk on his organisation's drive to move Catholic parishes and other Christian groups towards ecological and social sustainability.



## Guardians of Creation research project

Working in partnership with The Diocese of Salford, St Mary's University (Twickenham) and The Laudato Si' Research Institute, (Campion Hall, Oxford), we were delighted to collaborate on The Guardians of Creation research project. Edward (ECG trustee) co-led the project, whilst John Paul consulted on the education and behavioural change work streams.

We were very happy to be contributors to the Guardians of Creation's (Diocese of Salford) research paper Understanding Catholic Parishioners' Responses to the Ecological Crisis, which was launched alongside 3 other reports at the Salford Cathedral Centre in March 2023. As well as supporting Jakub Kowalewski, the writer of this paper, we took part in the round table discussions and, the paper took 2 of our deanery days as case studies to look at the different barriers that people face in "living life to the full" through ecological conversion in their communities.

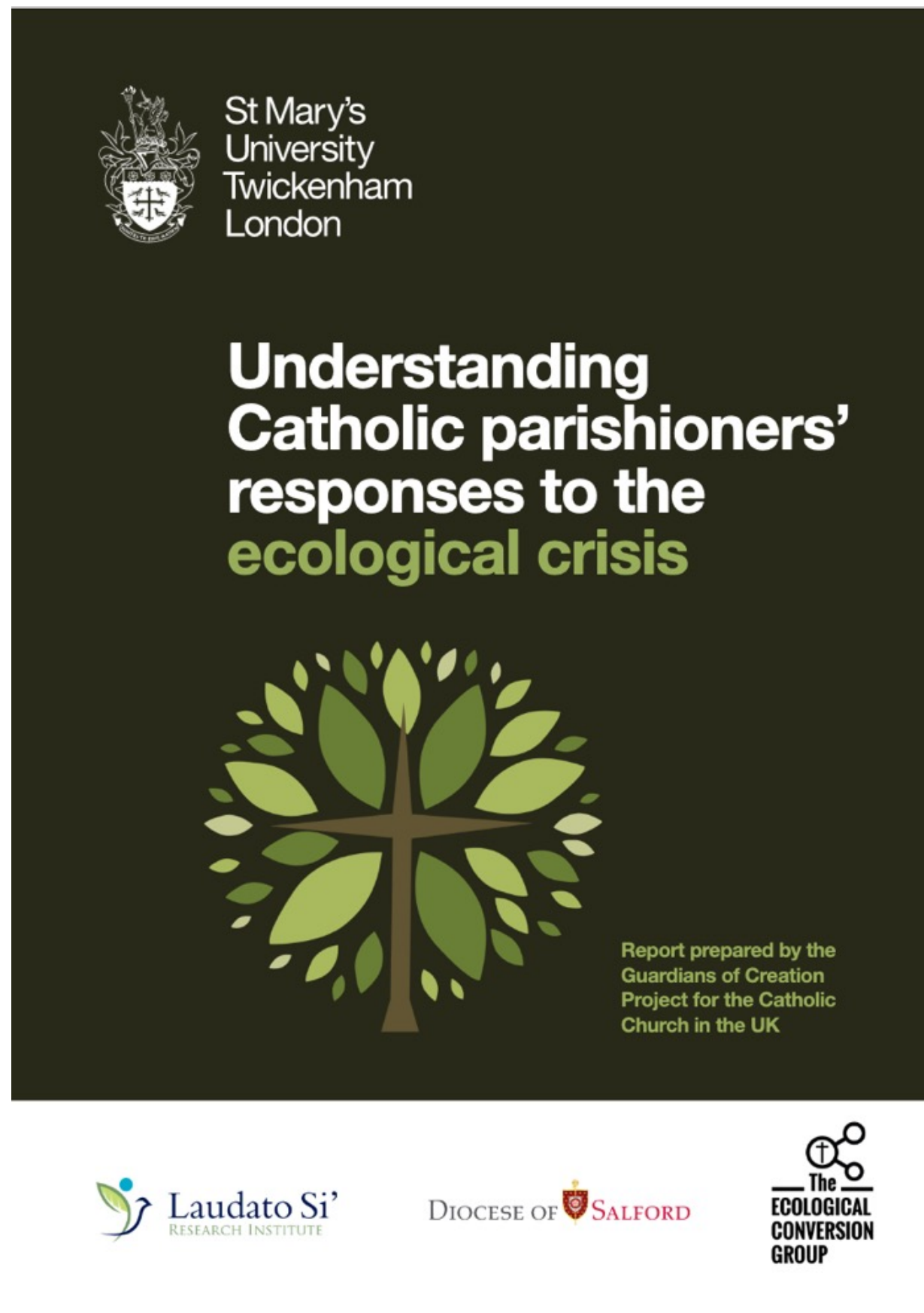
Read all about the launch here:

<https://laudatosicentre.org.uk/general/guardians-of-creation-launches-decarbonisation-guidance/>

The Guardians of Creation resources can be found here: <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/research/areas/theology-and-ethics/guardians-of-creation-project/about.aspx>

Right: Jakub Kowalewski presenting the study.

Below: The Guardians of Creation team with Bishop John Arnold.





## Lancaster Diocese Justice and Peace commission

The team at Lancaster Diocese are positively running with the 2030 resources.  
Read about their work in schools [here](#):

## Middlesbrough Diocese environment group

Barbara Hungin, Justice and Peace lead for Middlesbrough diocese has been talking at a range of events around Middlesbrough and has distributed many of our activity packs. As well as running 'Let us dream' workshops in her diocese. We were very pleased to run a workshop for the diocesan environment group and help form a network.

## Nottingham Diocese

Nottingham Diocese have created their own programme for ecological action called 'Pioneer Parishes'. We were very pleased to help create their own web page linked to the Journey to 2030 website. We also partnered with them to help create the 'Ethical Consumption' and 'Awards' pages on the 2030 website. <https://journeyto2030.org/pioneer-parishes/>



## Southern Dioceses Environment Network (SDEN)

As a part of the planning team for the SDEN, we have continued to work together to plan monthly Zoom meetings which cover updates from each diocese, guest speakers, reflections, and sharing of new environmental action resources. Attendees have found these meetings very helpful in both building community and giving ideas for action.

We also exhibited the Journey to 2030 materials at the SDEN mass of Creation at Farm Street Church, Mayfair.

## World Day of the Poor – Plymouth Diocese

We participated in Plymouth Diocese's World Day of the Poor event. John Paul led a presentation exploring the concept of integral ecology as well as sharing some of our resources. You can read more about the event [here](#).



Photos courtesy of Tanya Trevena



## Leeds Diocese

Consulted in formulating a DRAFT diocesan Strategy for Communicating Laudato Si' and encouraging engagement with the environment.

## East Anglia Diocese

Together with Paul Maddison, we have worked on parish audits, which have helped us develop our own poster packs and reflections on the Laudato Si' goals.



## Diocese of Arundel and Brighton Justice and Peace Conference

We were key members on the organising group for planning and delivery of the conference, ensuring that the theme of integral ecology was used as a narrative. John Paul delivered a talk on getting closer to producing food as a means of understanding our place in God's creation.

## Laudato Si' Research Institute

We took part in the [Integral Ecology and Sustainable Agriculture Conference](#), run by the Laudato Si' Research Institute, Campion Hall, Oxford, which looked at the Church's role in bringing us closer to God, people and land.



## INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

### The European Laudato Si' Alliance (ELSIA)

The poster packs being used on a Taizé retreat. Our 'building a caring community' activity packs have been demonstrated at the European Laudato Si' Alliance retreat in Taizé by our friend of the ECG and ELSIA member Prof. Mark Charlesworth.



## Laudato Si' Action Platform

The ECG have continued working as members of the parishes and diocese working group for the [Laudato Si' action platform](#), run by the Vatican's Dicastery for integral human development. We help bring our experiences of working in parishes and dioceses to the project, as well as discussing our experiences globally and exchanging resources and expertise with the other members. The ECG was involved in helping run a 1st year evaluation of the program as well as having input on the formulation of the Laudato Si' Goal: 'Ecological Spirituality'.



## Caritas Internationalis

We have attended the 'Together we' conference on integral ecology projects. Caritas Internationalis have been incredibly helpful in feedback on our 'building a caring community' activity packs, which we hope will be useful for bringing an integral ecology lens to social action projects in a range of settings.



## TESTIMONIALS

"Pope Francis' encyclical 'Laudato Si' both inspired and galvanised a group of us within the Middlesbrough Diocese Justice and Peace Commission. Having produced an Environmental Policy for the Diocese we were then considering the most effective way of helping parishes and communities to engage with the Laudato Si goals. The NJPN conference in July 2021 was our first encounter with the Journey to 2030 material created by the Ecological Conversion Group. It was immediately evident that here was a brilliant resource, artistically created which not only captured the imagination but also used the concept of integral ecology through the Laudato Si goals as a focus for parish and school mission.

Each goal has a written reflection to focus and encourage the group. The idea of a Journey is a good one and the material accepts that each group will be in a different position on that journey and that many are already engaged in activities which promote the care of our common home. The material has a wealth of practical suggestions for both individual and group action.

Within the Middlesbrough Diocese we have both used the material and distributed packs at various Diocesan meetings. John Paul facilitated our Diocesan Justice and Peace meeting in February this year – from which we established a networking group to take the material into their own parishes. We were also able to promote the sixth form syllabus within the Diocesan Education Service. Most recently I have given a presentation to a group of nuns at their annual meeting who took packs home and were enthusiastic about the possibilities of use in various settings.

We have appreciated working in partnership with the Ecological Conversion Group through John Paul, whose advice, creativity and encouragement has been fundamental to our own Diocesan journey."

*Barbara Hungin, Justice and Peace worker for Middlesbrough Diocese, sharing her thoughts on our resources.*

"The Ecological Conversion Group material on the Journey to 2030 material has also published 'Building a Caring Community' pack for parishes and schools to help with this process so please access the link below if you are interested in purchasing this resource. The website is also a fabulous resource and provides information on the Laudato Si goals/ CST links so please do use it to assist in curriculum objectives."

*Sue Grubic, Faith and Justice Worker of the Diocese of Lancaster, to schools of the diocese.*

"It was a pleasure to meet you and hear your brilliant presentation. I can't thank you enough for your work spreading the Laudato si' mission. Your approach regarding the role of the dioceses seems nothing short of revolutionary... (a XXI Century continuation, I suppose, of the teachings of Vatican II...)"

*A workshop participant.*

"It was inspirational working with you, thank for all your encouragement and support."

*Fr Paul Maddison*



# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2022-2023 has been The Ecological Conversion Group’s first full year as a registered charity; we have ended the year with a total income of £72,456, of which £25,286 has been spent. Cash funds for the year end are £48,170.

## Reserves Policy

It is the Ecological Conversion Group’s policy to maintain a balance of unrestricted funds (if possible) which equates to one years unrestricted payments equivalent of at least £60,000, to cover emergency situations and allow security and forward planning of the delivery of our objectives.

## Receipts and Payments (1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023)

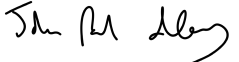
RECEIPTS	£
Grants	59,111
Donations	100
Charitable Activities	12,245
Loans	1,000
SUB TOTAL	72,456
PAYMENTS	£
Salaries	22,123
Travel Costs	322
Postage	40
Computer Expenses	244
Workshop Materials	557
Printing	1,865
Accommodation	135
SUB TOTAL	25,286
TOTAL FUNDS THIS YEAR END (all unrestricted)	47,170
Liabilities: Loans	1000
PAYE	4904

## EXPLANATION FOR ANY DISCREPANCIES

See reserves policy. Our reserves balance has yet to be realised.

# TRUSTEE DECLARATIONS

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

  
John Paul de Quay  
Trustee  
Date: 20/01/2024

The Ecological Conversion Group have chosen Costanza Tognini to independently examine the accounts. She is a supporter of The Ecological Conversion Group and has a long-standing career in institutional fund-raising.

## Independent examiner’s statement

I have completed my examination.

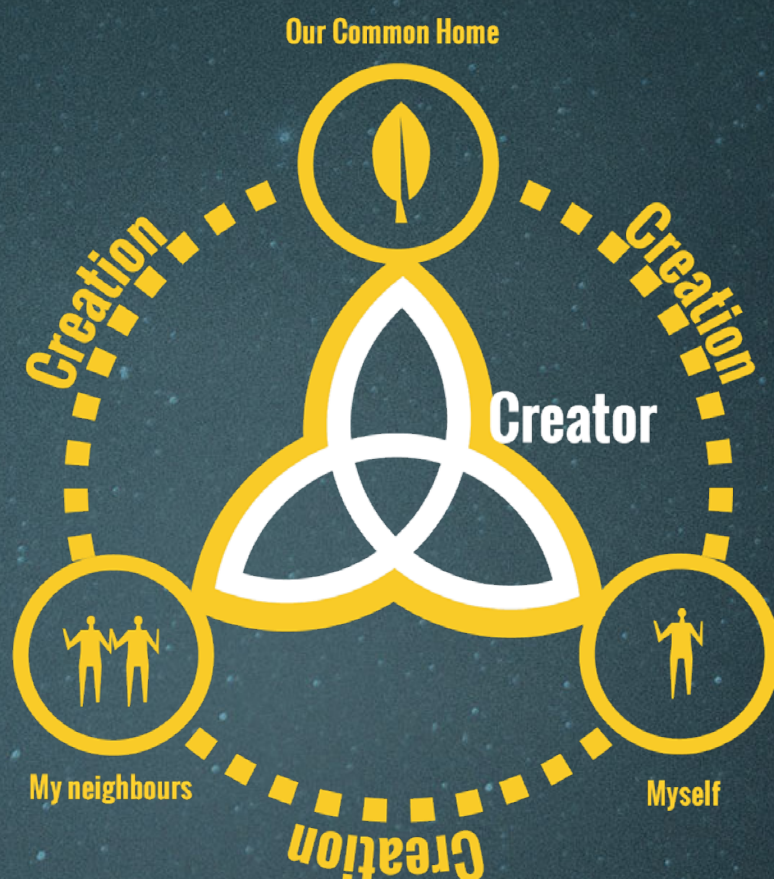
I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act, or that the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Costanza Tognini  
costanzatognini@gmail.com



Thank you to all of our friends, trustees, colleagues, partners and supporters for making this great work happen.



“The divine Persons are subsistent relations, and the world, created according to the divine model, is a web of relationships. Creatures tend towards God, and in turn it is proper to every living being to tend towards other things, so that throughout the universe we can find any number of constant and secretly interwoven relationships. This leads us not only to marvel at the manifold connections existing among creatures, but also to discover a key to our own fulfilment. The human person grows more, matures more and is sanctified more to the extent that he or she enters into relationships, going out from themselves to live in communion with God, with others and with all creatures. In this way, they make their own that trinitarian dynamism which God imprinted in them when they were created. Everything is interconnected, and this invites us to develop a spirituality of that global solidarity which flows from the mystery of the Trinity.”

Pope Francis, referencing St Thomas Aquinas, *Laudato Si'* 240