

Participate in the NEW Catholic Climate Project!

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Care for Our Common Home

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We Hold the Earth

We hold brothers and sisters who suffer from storms and droughts intensified by climate change.

We hold all species that suffer.

We hold world leaders delegated to make decisions for life.

We pray that the web of life may be mended through courageous actions to limit carbon emissions.

We pray for right actions for adaptation and mitigation to help our already suffering earth community.

We pray that love and wisdom might inspire my actions and our actions as communities. . . so that we may, with integrity, look into the eyes of brothers and sisters and all beings and truthfully say, we are doing our part to care for them and the future of the children.

May love transform us and our world with new steps toward life.

(Interfaith Climate Prayer, Interfaith Power and Light)

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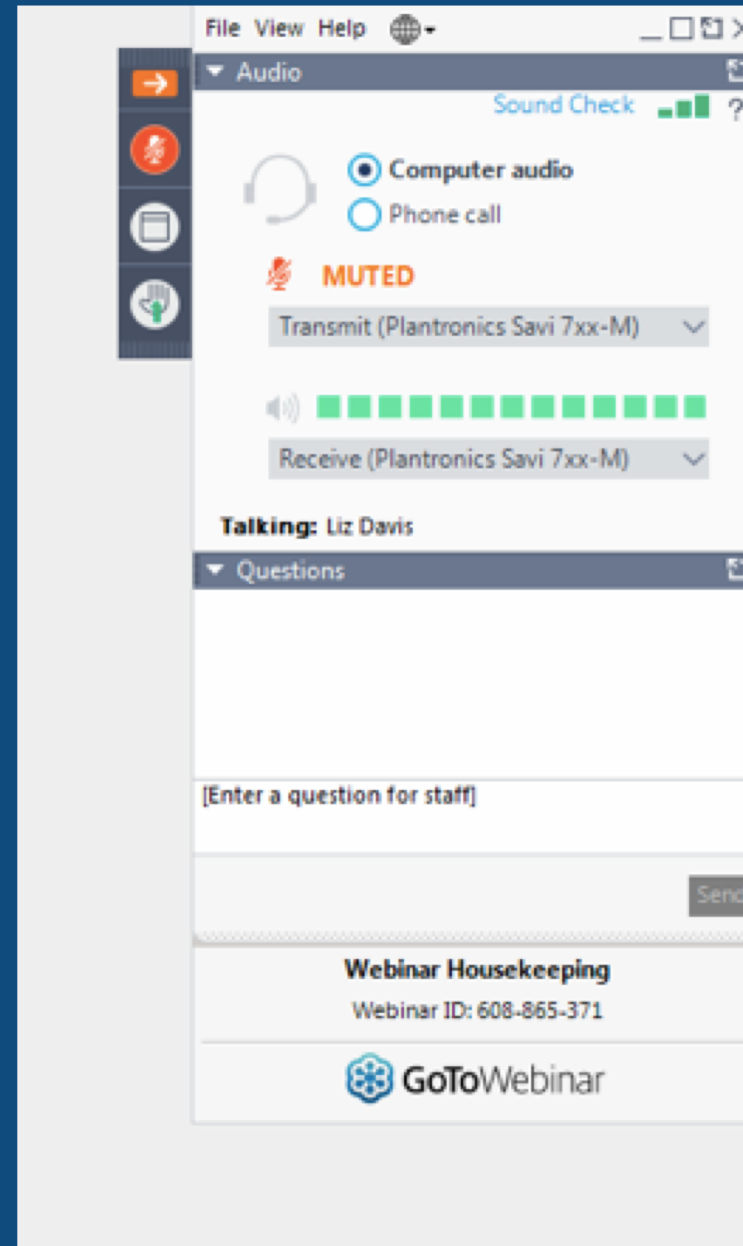
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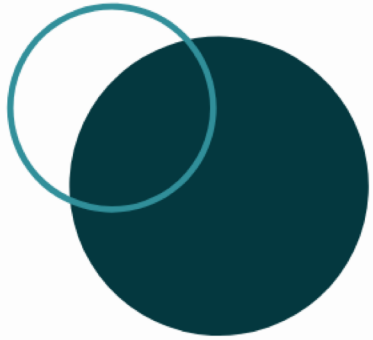
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MAIN TOPICS

Our Purpose
Vision and Goals
Call to Action





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I urgently appeal, then, for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet.”

POPE FRANCIS, LAUDATO SI' 14

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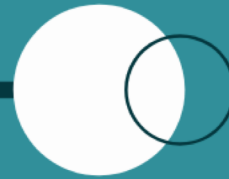
OUR PURPOSE



Together, with and through our Church, we can move our nation towards climate solutions, for the sake of our common home and future.

VISION AND GOALS

mobilize Catholics across the nation to share a unified call to care for our common home, in spirit, word, and deed



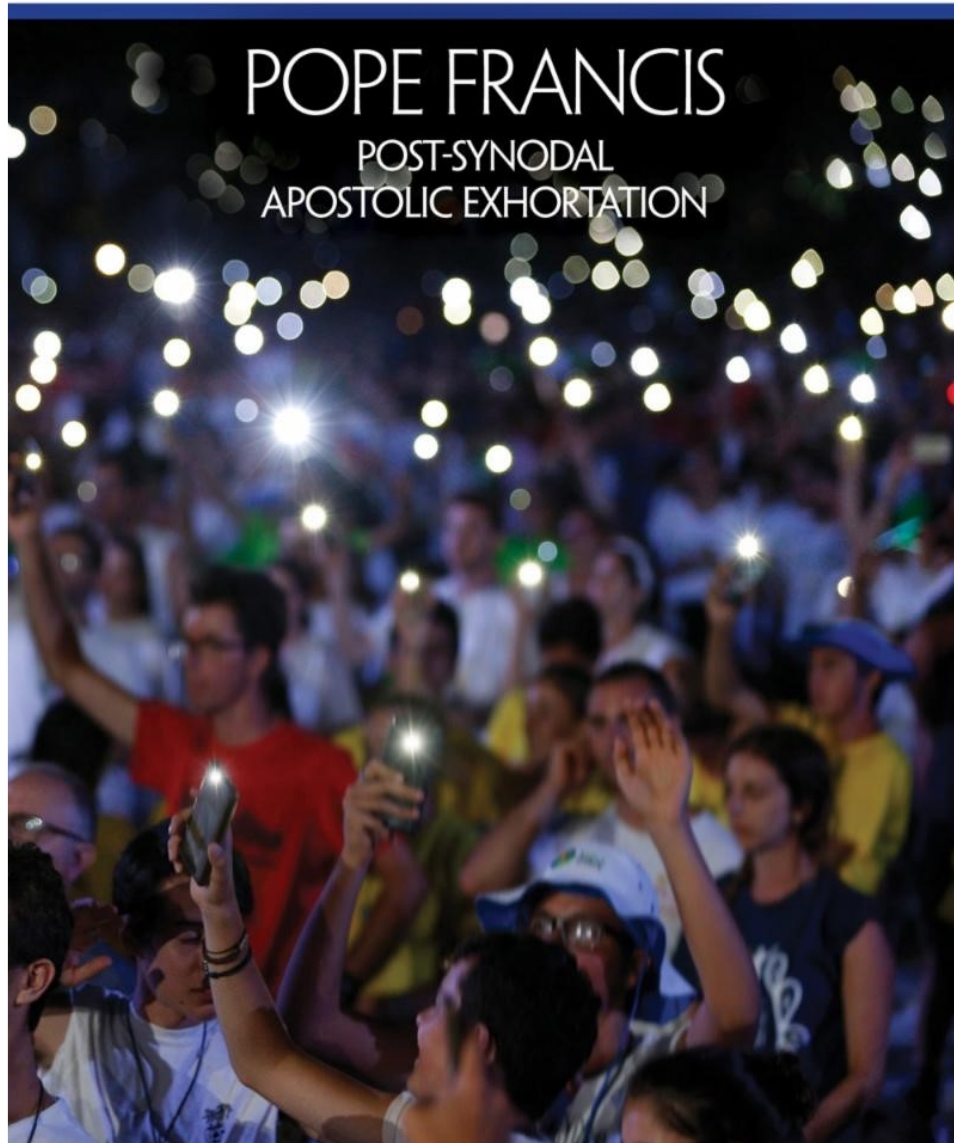
CALL TO ACTION

inspired by the global climate movement, the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, and Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si'*



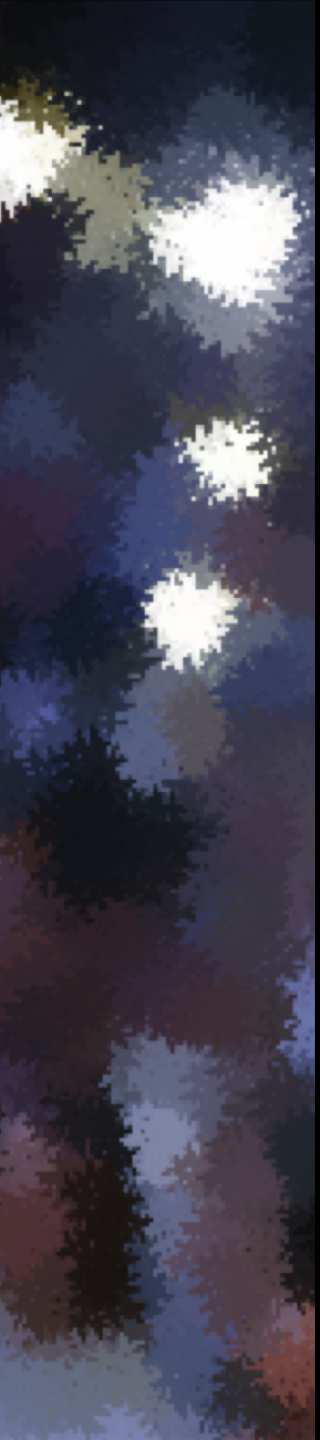
CHRIST IS ALIVE!

CHRISTUS VIVIT

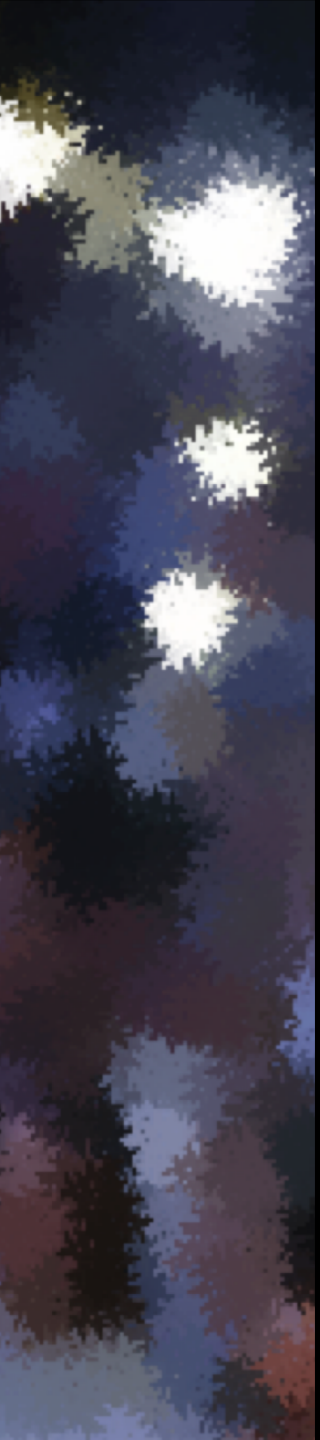


POPE FRANCIS

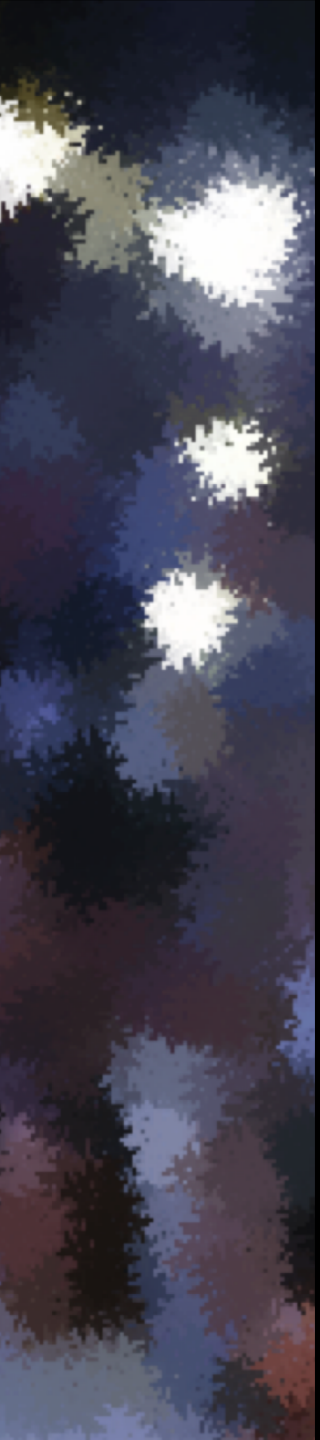
POST-SYNODAL
APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION



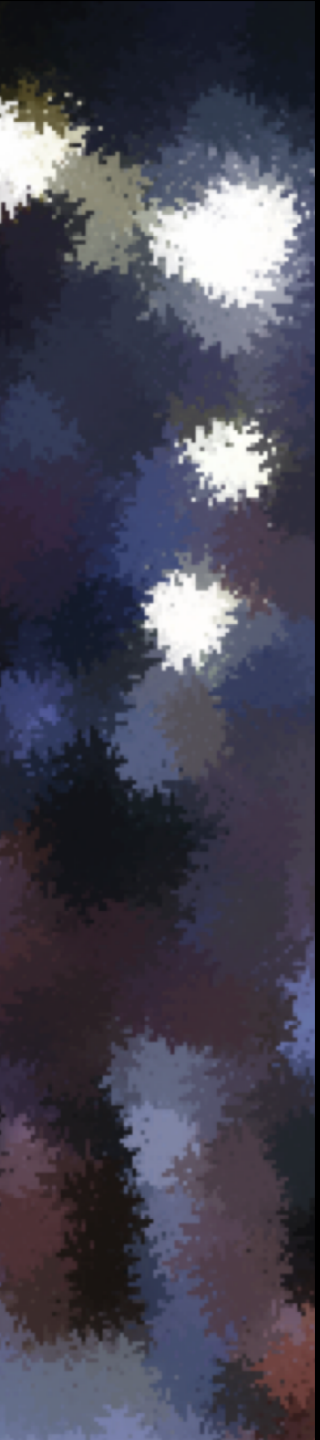
The world has never benefitted, nor will it ever benefit, from a rupture between generations... When intergenerational relationships exist, a collective memory is present in communities, as each generation takes up the teachings of its predecessors and in turn bequeaths a legacy to its successors. In this way, they provide frames of reference for firmly establishing a new society. (CV 191)



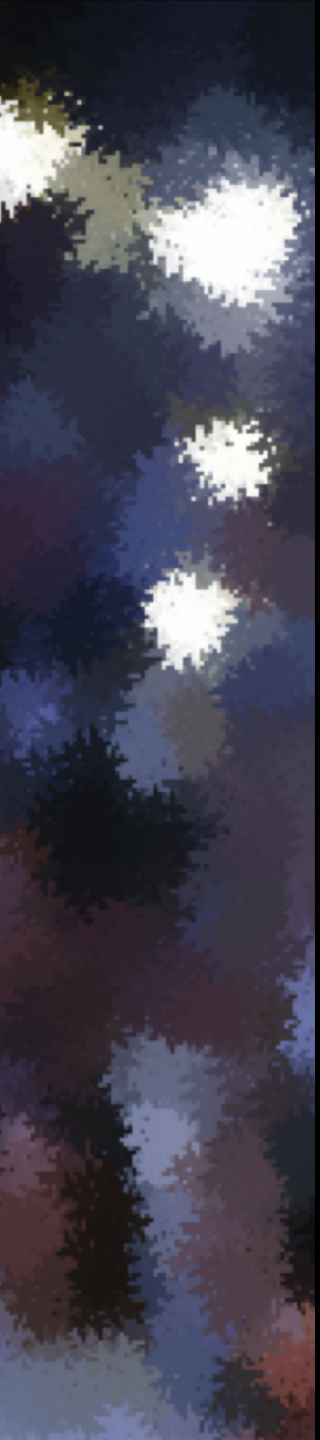
Nature holds a special attraction for many adolescents and young people who recognize our need to care for the environment... Such is the case with... campaigns to improve the environment... (CV 206)



I want to encourage all of you in this effort because I know that your young hearts want to build a better world... Please, do not leave it to others to be protagonists of change. You are the ones who hold the future! Through you, the future enters into the world. I ask you to be protagonists of this transformation... (CV 174)



...You are the ones who hold the key to the future! Continue to fight apathy and to offer a Christian response to the social and political troubles emerging in different parts of the world. **I ask you to build the future, to work for a better world.** Dear young people, please, do not be bystanders in life. Get involved!... (CV 174)



...Don't stand aloof, but immerse yourselves in the reality of life, as Jesus did. Above all, in one way or another, fight for the common good, serve the poor, be **protagonists of the revolution** of charity and service. (CV 174)



Collaborating Organizations

- **Catholic Climate Covenant**
- Archdiocese of Washington
Catholic Charities
- Association of United States
Catholic Priests (AUSCP)
- California Catholic Conference
- Catholic Association of Diocesan Ecumenical and
Interreligious Officers (CADEIO)



Collaborating Organizations

- Diocese of Joliet in Illinois
- Global Catholic Climate Movement
- *Laudato Si'* Generation
- Sisters of Bon Secours (Young Adults)
- Sisters of Mercy
- USCCB Youth and Young Adult Ministries

*United States Conference of Catholic Bishops'
Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth*



“journeying together”

If we *journey together*, young and old...we can learn from one another , warm hearts, inspire minds, and lend new strength to our hands. CV 199

Outline

- See, Judge, Act, Celebrate, Repeat
- Local Example - Diocese of Joliet
- Possibilities
- Next Steps

See, Judge, Act, Celebrate, Repeat

- See
- Judge - now through April
- Act - April and May
- Celebrate - end of May
- Repeat

Local Example - Diocese of Joliet

- **See:** Assemble a team - February
- **Judge:** Lenten reflections, speaking opportunities, and rereading Laudato Si' to build interest and prepare hearts - February 26 - April 9
- **Act:** Co-Leaders of Joliet Area Earth Day March and Rally - April 25
- **Act:** Encourage parishes to do energy audits - mid-April
- **Act:** Garden plantings - April and May
- **Act:** Environmental Lobby Day, Illinois General Assembly - April or May
- **Celebrate:** Laudato Si' Gathering & Celebration - late May
- **Repeat!**

Prayer, Reflection, and Preparing Hearts

- Liturgy - [homily helps](#), [prayers](#)
- Interfaith
- Metanoia - Not just for climate change deniers!
- Retreat
- Lent and Easter

Events

- Reread Laudato Si'
- Education in schools - Laudato Si' [Curriculum](#)
- Youth Ministry Presentations
- Energy Efficiency Projects
- Tree plantings, plant growing, trash clean-ups
- March, Rally, Strike

Advocacy

- Advocacy Training [Guide](#)
- Federal - [Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act](#)
- State Catholic Conferences
- Advocate at parish, school, and diocesan level
- Letters to the Editor (LTE) - “How to” [toolkit](#)

Next Steps

- Website
- Social Media



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Questions ?





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