

'Care for Our Common Home Care for the Poor'

Networks, Resources, Organisations & Media Links

2022



'Essential Network'

- Our diocesan hope is that all Sandhurst Parishes will become Earthcare Parishes [About Us - Catholic Earthcare Australia](#)

'Essential Reading'

- **'On Care for Our Common Home' (Laudato Si)**, Pope Francis, 24 May, 2015.
- **Laudato Si' Action Platform** The Laudato Si' Action Platform: 7 year plan in collaboration between the Vatican, an international coalition of Catholic organizations and "all men and women of good will." (LS 3) Ground-up approach for local communities to take "decisive action, here and now" to journey towards a better future together (LS 161). All Church communities are asked to participate. Catholic Earthcare Parishes program makes it easy for Australian Parishes to take up this invitation.
- **'Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor'** Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2021-2022 + prayers and other resources.
- **A New Earth: The Environmental Challenge** Aust Catholic Bishops Social Justice Statement, 2002.

Essential Resources:

- **'Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor' Radio Interview** of The Way with Sandie Cornish with an overview of Australian Catholic Bishops' Cry of the Earth. Cry of the Poor, Social Justice Statement 2021-2022
- **'Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor' Australian Bishops Introductory Video** for ACBC Social Justice Statement 2021-2022
- **'Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor' Prayer Cards.**
- **Care for Our Common Home, video** Care for Our Common Home is one of the Catholic Social Teaching principles. This video explains how caring for all creation is caring for each other. To learn more about this CST principles visit: Caritas' **CST Toolkit**

Sandhurst Diocese 'Care for Creation' Statement & Resources

- Read or download **plain text format** OR **a presentation booklet**
- **Sandhurst 'Care for Creation' Resources**
- **Praying With Pope Francis to Care for Our Common Home:** Book of prayers based on *Laudato Si'*

Sandhurst Diocese Becoming an 'Earthcare Parish'

A Video presentation by Kerry Stone (Caritas Coordinator for the Sandhurst Diocese).

(*Video Link yet to Come)

An invitation to all parishes of the Sandhurst Diocese to register as Catholic Earthcare Parishes with 'easy to use' resources and process explained. Our Sandhurst pathway to achieving the goals of the 7 year worldwide *Laudato Si* Action Platform.

Helpful Worldwide Catholic Networks

- **Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM)**
- **Season of Creation**
- **Catholic Youth Climate – Laudato Si Generation**

Community Groups, Projects & Resource People In Our Region

- **ALBURY – WODONGA: Wodonga Albury Towards Climate Health**
- **Repair Café Albury-Wodonga**
- **BENALLA: Benalla Sustainable Future Group**
- **BENDIGO: Bendigo Sustainability Group – Action Groups**
- **The Bendigo and District Environment Council**
- **Repair Café Bendigo**
- **bHive Cooperative** networks, co-founded by **Ian McBurney** of Bendigo brings together the environment, society and local economy. It aims to build belonging, sharing and local cooperative enterprises. It is supported by “Villages” software to connect neighbours to ‘share stuff and skills’ and to help connect communities across Bendigo. Australia wide launch pending.
- **CHILTERN: Friends of Chiltern**
- **WANGARATTA: Wangaratta Urban Landcare and Sustainability Network**.
- **WODONGA: Wodonga Albury Towards Climate Health (WATCH)**
- **YACKANDANDAH: Totally Renewable Yackandandah and Yackandandah Totally Renewable Yackandandah newsletter**
- **NORTH EAST: North East Regional Sustainability Alliance (NERSA) umbrella organisation with representatives from volunteer organisations, Councils, agencies such as Environment Vic., and government agencies such as DWELP. Sharing ideas and information on progress towards more sustainable futures.**
- **Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning Climate Change Team member at each regional office. Staff in Wildlife, Environment, Forests and Reserves & other relevant divisions. Good points of contact for groups for occasional planting days, clean-up working bees or to learn about the plants and animals near their Parish. Local Office contacts:**
 - **Loddon Mallee** 1-7 Taylor St, Epsom 3551 Ph’: 03 5430 4444 Open: 9am to 5pm, Mon – Fri.
 - **Hume** 89 Sydney Rd, Benalla 3672. Ph’: 03 5761 1611. Open: 9am to 4.30pm, Mon – Fri.
- **Dr. Perpetua Turner, Ecologist (Bendigo born) mapped most of the plants in Victoria. Able to advise on where to find original types of vegetation for revegetation projects.**
- **Natural Resources Rangers with local councils - a great resource. They know what groups already exist and love partnering with local community groups on revegetation projects.**

Victorian and Australian Community Agencies & Networks

- **ENVIRONMENT VICTORIA Member Groups Directory**
- **CLIMATE ACTION: Eco shout**
- **FARMERS: Environmental Farmers Network**
- **MORE AUSTRALIAN SOLAR HOMES (MASH)**
- **VICTORIAN CLIMATE ACTION MOVEMENT Groups in Victoria**
- **REPAIR CAFES IN VICTORIA**
- **Repair Café Victoria (Facebook)**
- **Repair Cafes in Victoria (Webpage)**
- **Australian Conservation Foundation (ACF) community groups Albury Wodonga and Bendigo.**

More Interesting Websites

- **National Tree Day resources** and **'Befriending a Tree'**
- **World Environment Day stories** from the Australian Jesuits.
- **'Biodiversity Emergency: Faiths regenerating wonder and the will to care'**
Affinity Intercultural Foundation webinar 5th June 2021 - video recording
- **Earthcare Game** – Small Steps to Save the Planet, board game, for 6-106 yr olds, inspired by the game 'Conservation' invented by R. J. Reynolds in New Zealand in 1976 and **Kids Care About Climate**
- **Investing in the Journey to Promote, Protect and Share the Martuwarra Fitzroy River Commons** from **Madjulla Inc.**
- **'Mother Pelican'** monthly Christian ethos research digest on social and ecological justice issues.