

Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph Laudato Si' Action Plan

Year One

Response to the Cry of the Earth

Work with Common Home Corps and facilities and building management to explore carbon/energy audit.
Explore measures already being taken (audits, water conservation, etc.) to determine best steps forward.

Identify key community partners, such as VIA Immigration and Refugee Ministry through the Office of Life & Justice and other social service programs, to promote sustainability with the acknowledgment of the burden placed on the poor and vulnerable.

Response to the Cry of the Poor

Ecological Economics

Create educational materials for the diocese and parishes to navigate ethical investments, purchases, and fair trade.

Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyle

Work with parish groups to implement Stewardship of Creation Ministry; add to advisory committee diversity and network ideas across different parish and diocesan groups to create comprehensive, detailed action plan.

Ecological Education

Foster Laudato Si' themes at parish, school, and diocesan levels.

Gather data from parishes adopting Stewardship of Creation Ministry to inform our needs and educational opportunities.

Ecological Spirituality

Continue to promote and expand the annual Green Mass, Blessing of Seeds, and Blessing of Farm Animals.

Develop more liturgical resources on Office of Life & Justice website.

Add more information regarding contacting representatives on the Office of Life & Justice website.

Keep diocese informed of relevant legislation via the Missouri Catholic Conference.

Community Resilience and Empowerment

