Australian Province of the Society of Jesus
Reconciliation with Creation Committee

Celebrating *Laudato si’* week 2020, May 16 - 24

The Province Reconciliation with Creation Committee invites you to celebrate *Laudato si’* week by learning, praying and taking action for the sake of all of God’s creation!

2020 is the fifth anniversary of *Laudato si’* the environment encyclical where Pope Francis is calling us to expand our understanding and experience of the interconnectedness of all life.

### 7 ways to live *Laudato si’*  
#### Some ideas:

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| 1 | Become familiar with *Laudato si’* | • Read *Laudato si’*  
• Watch a one hour talk by Rev Prof Denis Edwards |
| 2 | Learn from the Healing Earth website | • Read about an ecological issue and responses on [Healing Earth](#) |
| 3 | Meet God in creation | • Reflect with the [Ecological Examen](#)  
• Read a book by your favourite [eco-theologian](#)  
• Use the [creation prayers](#) in your mass/liturgy this week  
• Consider a [residential or online retreat](#)  
• Journal over the week your connection to creation |
| 4 | Walk with First Peoples | • Read the [Uluru statement](#) and take action  
• Read the address [John Paul II gave in Alice Springs in 1986](#) |
| 5 | Create your virtual environment walk | • Create a [creation prayer space](#) in your home or garden  
• Create an [environment walk](#) in your community  
• In art form create the [water journey for your local river](#) |
| 6 | Commit to being an Earth Healer | • Inspired by *Laudato si’*, share a photo of the wonder and awe in nature on social media each day  
• Watch the [*Laudato si’* movie](#) |
| 7 | Make changes in your lifestyle | • Reduce your ecological footprint, work on one aspect in your life as a daily challenge  
• Join the [Ignatian Solidarity Network](#) mini challenges |
|   | Work with others to become an Earthcare community | • Visit [Catholic Earthcare](#) for the 8 Step Earthcare program  
• Use the [green campus guides](#) on the Ecojesuit website to help with your next step |

Please share your favourite quote from *Laudato si’* with us on the [Province Facebook page](#)

“A great cultural, spiritual and educational challenge stands before us, and it will demand that we set out on the long path of renewal.” *LS #202*

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