



SSND Laudato Si' Commitments 2024-2025

In 2015, Pope Francis penned his encyclical letter Laudato Si' urging the people of the world to take action against the climate emergency and ecological crisis in which we find ourselves.

"We, as a Laudato Si' congregation, unite with the church's movement to address the environmental and humanitarian crisis within the framework of integral ecology." - The Calls and Acts of the 25th General Chapter



Individuals/Communities

- Contemplate and Incarnate Ecological
 Spirituality Being mindful of how all
 creation is interconnected and interdependent
 and how our creating God Who is Love calls us
 to ecological conversion and response.
- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Being mindful of our consumption.
- Enjoy meatless meals Being mindful of our food choices.
- Choose and advocate for alternatives to single use plastic – Being mindful of alternative options.
- Educate, advocate, and act in support of our SSND LSAP commitment – Being mindful of our responsibility to engage others.

Departments/Ministries

- Incorporate SSND LSAP commitment into existing goal-setting processes going forward.
- Reflect our commitment to sustainable living practices in meeting and event planning through venue selection, the way the prayer and program is organized, the food and drink that is chosen and provided, including a vegetarian option, carbon footprint calculation and appropriate remediation. Provide a summary of the actions taken with participants to raise awareness and promote accountability.
- Encourage residential and ministry partner organizations to embrace or support SSND LSAP commitment.



Response to Cry of the Earth - Response to Cry of the Poor - Ecological Economics
Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyles - Ecological Education - Ecological Spirituality
Community Resilience and Empowerment

