



This is the first of a series of notices, that will pop up in our parish newsletter on the last weekend of the month.

What is it all about?

Your Parish Pastoral Council has been developing an action plan for this year with the Laudato Si Action Platform. Pope Francis has urged us all to play our part in caring for creation, to care for our common home. He has urged us to work towards seven goals over the coming years. You can read more about the goals here. <https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/laudato-si-goals/>

So, part of our action plan is to publish a few ideas each month in the newsletter and on social media; simple, practical suggestions that will help us move closer to the goals.

Suggestions for today:

- Clean Up Australia has a program called Step Up, which challenges us to consider how we might reduce waste in our lives. It also organises the Clean Up Australia day which is coming up on March 5.
<https://www.cleanup.org.au/waste-challenges>

The Brisbane Archdiocese has endorsed Clean Up Australia in its action plan, https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/assets/uploads/Laudato-Si_Action-Plan_single-pages.pdf

This is related to the goal: ***Adopting of Sustainable Lifestyles.***

- Consider the purchase of Fair Trade products and other ethically produced products.
<https://fairtradeanz.org/>

This can make a difference to people's lives, and we will source some great products.

This action is related to the goal: ***Response to the Cry of the Poor.***

Thanks for your interest; any feedback can be sent to Anne c/o bridge@bne.catholic.net.au

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