

Websites

~Laudato Si Movement – Catholics for Our Common Home <https://laudatosimovement.org/>.
The mission statement of this global movement is “To inspire and mobilize the Catholic community to care for our common home and to achieve climate and ecological justice.” They work to create spaces where “Catholics can become more awakened to the ecological crisis, to spiritual communion with nature and each other, and to experience God’s love through ecological conversion.” They develop “local, national and international support structures to ensure that we can work together to bring about impactful change.” They creatively promote “contemplation” which is action inspired and guided by prayer and spirituality.

~Laudato Si Action Platform <https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/>.
The Laudato Si Action Platform provides easily individualized planning guides for individuals, families and groups of all sizes to use to discern and implement their response to the call in Laudato Si. It includes “guidance on actions that help build a better future through the Laudato Si goals of response to the cry of the earth, response to the cry of the poor, ecological economics, adoption of sustainable lifestyles, ecological education, ecological spirituality, and community resilience and empowerment.”

~Catholic Climate Covenant – Care for Creation, Care for the Poor <https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/>.
In 2006 the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops helped form the Catholic Climate Covenant “to inspire and equip people and institutions to care for creation and care for the poor. Through our 20 national partners we guide the US Catholic Church’s response to climate change by advocating, giving public witness and offering resources” to help people and institutions “reduce their carbon footprint and work for justice...Loving God’s creation and God’s most vulnerable is at the heart of who we are as Catholics.”

~EarthBeat – Stories of Climate Crisis, Faith, and Action a project of the National Catholic Reporter <https://ncronline.org/>
“As more people view climate change as not just a crisis but as a matter of moral urgency, it’s clear religion plays a role...We at EarthBeat...are here to tell that story: how Catholics and other faith groups speak out and take action. Where ecological and moral conviction meet, well, that’s our beat.”

~Ignatian Solidarity Network - Environmental News and Reflections from the Ignatian Family <https://ignatiansolidarity.net/Home/Resources/Environment>
“Rooted in the spiritual tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola and Catholic Social Teaching we seek change through transformational programs and resources to deepen faith and lead to dismantling systemic injustice; collaborative initiatives that bridge divides and overcome exclusion; and collective action to defend and promote the inherent dignity of all of God’s creation – both people and planet.”

~Global Climate Change – Vital Signs of the Planet National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) <https://climate.nasa.gov/>

This science-based website is packed with information and powerful visuals describing the impact of climate change on the vital signs of our home planet, suggesting solutions and more.

~Montana Climate Assessment - Montana Institute on Ecosystems at Montana State University <http://montanaclimate.org/>

This comprehensive climate assessment with accompanying videos, vignettes, images, and articles details the impact of climate change on Montanans' human health, forests, water and agriculture and "sets a pathway for future climate change research relevant to Montana."

~Recycle Montana <https://recyclemontana.org/>

"The mission of this corporation shall be to educate Montana's citizens and businesses about waste reduction, offer statewide recycling resources and provide support to community recycling efforts." Check out the Trash Desk to get answers to your recycling questions to reduce waste and pollution.

~City of Helena <https://www.helenamt.gov/>

Useful information on recycling can be found in the Resources section of the website. Information on the City's strategic plan for waste reduction and "Be Heard Helena" are in the government section. Search directly for information on the City of Helena Sustainability Plan to learn more about the City's comprehensive efforts to mitigate climate change.