## 2025 Reflection

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This has been an exciting year. I have led the establishment of a Creation Care Ministry at our Parish. We have over 2000 families in the Parish (St. Joseph, Guardian of the Holy Family). Catholic teaching relative to creation care, Climate and Environmental concerns has not previously received attention in the Parish.

We are making efforts to use the words and writings of Popes Benedict, Francis, and Leo, along with scripture and other Catholic thinkers, to convey what the Church teaches. We hope to motivate individual efforts on the part of parishioners, as well as encouraging the Parish as a whole to take steps to lessen it's environmental and climate impact, and to encourage some advocacy on the part of the Parish regarding larger scale Climate and Environmental action.

We welcome and value the input of the Laudato Si movement with regard to ideas and motivation as we continue to try to get this effort up and running.