## OPC Communications Bulletin

## livelaudautoSI.org -- TAKE THE PLEDGE

In June 2015, Pope Francis released his historic encyclical Laudato Si': On Care for our Common Home. In it, he urgently calls "every person living on this planet" to start a dialogue and begin to transform our hearts and communities to stop the warming of the planet and curb greenhouse gas emissions in order to combat the climate crisis. Now is the time to act.

The Laudato Si' Pledge is a global campaign by the Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM) and its member organizations to raise awareness of the encyclical's message and to encourage the Catholic community to take action with the urgency required by the climate crisis.

Ask your Bishop and parish priest if it is okay to have parishioners sign the pledge sheet at your parish one weekend or you could take the pledge together with a repeat after me approach.

## THE PLEDGE:

I pledge to pray for and with creation, live more simply and advocate to protect our common home .. pledge cards and pledge sheets found at link below: <u>http://livelaudatosi.org/pledge-forms/</u>

<u>Please report through the Contact page on the Ontario Provincial Council website</u> If your parish or, if individually, how many individuals took the pledge .. the link to contact us is below and we will report the total # of parishes and individuals in Ontario through the website in December... <u>http://www.cwl.on.ca/contact</u>

## Ways to Live the Pledge

By signing the Laudato Si' Pledge, you will have joined a larger community of Catholics around the world who are committed to living out Laudato Si' in their own lives, and bringing it to their parishes and community. In the coming weeks and months, we'll be sharing more ideas and resources for those who want to Live Laudato Si', and help you connect to others who have signed the pledge. But some ideas to get you started can be found here: <u>http://livelaudatosi.org/ways-live-pledge/</u>