

# CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME

Bringing *Laudato Si'* to Life  
in our Parish Communities

*Truly, much can be done!*

(Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*, 180)

Join us for this conference with  
dynamic speakers, practical exhibits,  
workshops, funding ideas and more

**Wednesday  
4 March 2020**

Dolmen Hotel,  
Kilkenny Road, Carlow  
10.30am – 4.30pm  
Registration 10am

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### MORNING SPEAKERS

The morning will include time for group discussion



**Prof. John Sweeney**  
(Climatologist)  
'From Climate Science to Climate Justice.'



**Dr. Lorna Gold**  
(Trocaire) 'Introduction to *Laudato Si'*



**Pádraic Fogarty**  
(Irish Wildlife Trust, Author) 'Biodiversity Breakdown in Ireland. How can we respond?'



**Fr. Dermot Lane**  
'Ecology and Spirituality in *Laudato Si'*

### AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

- **The Eco-Parish Award** – How to become an Eco-Parish.
- **Faith Community Pollinator Plan** – How to create spaces for biodiversity on church grounds.
- **Linking your parish with local authority events** (e.g. National Tree Week).
- **Laudato Si, Liturgy and Worship** – How to incorporate care for creation into prayer and worship in your parish.
- **Shankill Parish** – "Bringing *Laudato Si'* Alive in your Parish" – A Case Study from St Anne's parish, Shankill.
- **Energy!** – From energy audits to energy use and accessing community grants to fund your eco-project.

Participants will register for workshops at the venue in the morning and will have time to attend two workshops.

#### REGISTRATION opens at 10 am.

There will be many organisations present in the MARKET-PLACE of this conference for participants to gather information and see what supports are out there from faith-based organisations as well as the wider ecological movement.

#### A day to equip yourself to 'green' your parish community and live *Laudato Si'*.

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