

Dear Eco-Congregation friends



Welcome to the November 2017 edition of the Eco-Congregation Ireland newsletter. We are journeying towards Christmas! The Eco-Congregation Ireland Committee wishes you all a very merry Christmas and an eco-centred 2018!



Are you interested in learning more about Eco-Congregation Ireland? Perhaps your congregation or parish has an interest in the environment and has thought about becoming an Eco-Congregation? The Eco-Congregation Committee has Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodist, Church of Ireland and Quaker representatives on it and they are happy to come to speak to your group no matter how small! The contact details are listed at the end of this newsletter.

Do you know we are on Facebook? You can access the Eco-Congregation Ireland Facebook profile [here](#) or just go to facebook.com and search 'Eco-Congregation Ireland'. It's a great place to keep up to date with ECI's activities and access current news and information from other NGOs and faith organisations.

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Our Climate Justice Candle – the journey continues!

Since our last newsletter ECI's Climate Justice Candle has visited **Clonakilty Methodist, Carrigaline Union of Parishes and St Anne's, Shandon, Cork**. It is still continuing on its ecumenical and climate justice journey! If you would like to be part of this initiative, simply drop us an email to info@ecocongregationireland.com.

Climate Justice Candle Inspiration!

The [Eco-Congregation Ireland Climate Justice Candle](#) can be used in many different ways in a church or parish.

Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar celebrates Season of Creation with the ECI Climate Justice Candle!

Eda Sagarra one of the members of the Ladauto Si Parish Group at Church of the Three Patrons, Rathgar provided ECI with a report on the Climate Justice Candle's visit to this parish. You can read her report and view their photos on the [ECI website](#).

This photo shows some of the fifty children who took part (photograph published by permission of the children's parents).

The candle was used in worship at the Sunday Family Mass

during which the symbolic and catechetical role of the candle was explained to the children and their parents and parishioners were advised of the part they might play in responding to Pope Francis' urgent call for the care of the earth. The second celebration on was an Interfaith Service of Prayer and Reflection, designed by Catherine Brennan SSL of Eco-Congregation Ireland and members of the Three Patrons Laudato Sí group.



ECI Climate Justice Candle visits Carrigaline Union of Parishes!

Rev Elaine Murray, Rector of Carrigaline Union of Parishes, Co Cork provided ECI with a very creative way of recording the visit of the Eco-Congregation Ireland Climate Justice Candle to Carrigaline! Elaine used the candle as the focal point of their Harvest Service, she brought it to their Clergy Conference and



finally she used it at Douglas Library where Elaine gave a talk to Douglas Churches Together on Eco-Congregation Ireland. Rev Elaine passed the candle over to Rev Sarah Marry who lit it at the 'Jazz Harvest Eucharist' in St Anne's Church, Shandon and ECI's Chair Andrew Orr was the preacher. All of these inspirational activities were recorded in a 'Candle Diary' which you can view on the [ECI website](#). There are also lots of lovely photos to view as well!

ECI Climate Justice Candle visits St Anne's, Shandon, Cork for Jazz Harvest!

On 29th October Harvest was celebrated in St. Anne's coinciding as usual with the 'Jazz weekend'. The church was full to capacity with parishioners, friends and visitors coming together to give thanks for harvest and to celebrate through music on this 40th year of the Cork Guinness Jazz Festival. Rev Andrew Orr preached from his experience as the Chair of Eco-Congregation Ireland. The Climate Justice Candle was lit



in St. Anne's for the service as it concluded its travels around Cork having already been at the Carrigaline Union Harvest Thanksgiving, the Cork, Cloyne and Ross Clergy Conference and a Douglas Churches Together event about climate change. [Read Rev Sarah Marry's report in full](#) and view their photos.

Clonakilty Methodist Church hosts the Climate Justice Candle!

The President of the Methodist Church, Rev Dr Laurence Graham, delivered the Climate Justice Candle to Clonakilty Methodist Church whilst on a visit to the West Cork Circuit on Friday 29th September 2017. The church members co-ordinated various activities around the visit of the candle including inviting four local schools to take part in a number of competitions for different age groups to highlight the issue of climate justice and opening their church for people to view the competition entries which were judged by local artist, Lorraine King-Marshall.



Climate Justice was the theme of the Harvest Thanksgiving Service and the main speaker was Sr. Margaret Twomey from the Sisters of Mercy in Clonakilty. She spoke about Eco-Congregation Ireland, the challenge of climate change, the issue of the Sabbath in the context of increasing economic development and the Biblical imperative of being good stewards of God's creation. Members felt that hosting the Climate Justice Candle challenged them about their impact on the environment and has raised awareness of the issue of 'Climate Justice' in their community. Grace Kingston, a member of Clonakilty Methodist provided ECI with a [full report which you can read here](#).

Awards! Awards! An Tairseach Dominican Farm and Ecology Centre, Wicklow receives ECI Award

On Saturday, 23 September, An Tairseach had a visit from Catherine Brennan SSL, who presented them with a gold award on behalf of Eco-Congregation Ireland. The award ceremony was held in the context of their annual celebration of the Autumn Equinox. Those present gave thanks to Mother Earth for her beauty and bounty which sustains us throughout the year not only physically but also in the depths of our souls. The ceremony was attended by a large crowd of friends and well-wishers as well as by twenty-two international sabbatical students from Ireland, England, USA, Canada, Nigeria, South Africa, Kenya, Australia, New Zealand and the Philippines. Read a report on the ECI award presentation and view more photos on the [ECI website](#). Michael Kelly of the Wicklow Times supplied the photo above.



November has been a wonderful week of action around the country! – Update from Trócaire

Dr Lorna Gold from Trócaire provided ECI with this an update of all the earth-centred action during the month of November. Events during this month included: the launch of Fr. Sean McDonagh's edited book of essays on Laudato Si – an Irish Response by Mary Robinson to a packed audience in Trinity Chapel; a workshop in the Lutheran Church in Dublin for an ecumenical group from the Irish Council of Churches on climate justice; a full day with the staff of the Catholic Bishops' Conference Laudato Sí; the visit of Rev. Fletcher Harper, CEO of Green Faith, to Ireland; seminar on Laudato Sí and Ambitious Climate Action in Ireland collaboration with the Jesuit Centre for Faith and Justice; a seminar on Laudato Sí with the dioceses of Cashel and Emly and Killaloe, in partnership with the CloghJordan EcoVillage and a new twitter account @LaudatoSi_IRE. Read about all these events in more detail on the [ECI website](#).

Trócaire

Fran Brady, ECI Quaker Representative Gives Culture Night Talk

Fran Brady who is the Quaker representative on the Eco-Congregation Ireland committee, gave a talk to visitors to Eustace Street Quaker Meeting House, Temple Bar, Dublin on Culture Night. She spoke about the work and vision of EcoQuakers. Eco-Quakers Ireland originated in 2008 when a concern was brought by two Members to Ireland Yearly Meeting under the title 'Caring for Creation – what canst thou do?' These Friends were encouraged to take the concern further. Seventeen Quakers from around Ireland held a Meeting on 17th May 2008 and from this the Eco-Quakers Ireland Committee was born. You can read Fran's talk [in full on the ECI website](#).



Westport Eco-Congregation holds Zero Waste Event

On Monday 2nd of October, Westport Eco-Congregation were delighted to host their first Zero Waste event, presented by local teacher Roisin Brady, who captured the hearts and minds of a fascinated audience over 150 in Westport Town Hall. Roisin has been limiting the creation of waste in her house of 3 adults, 2 children and 4 pets for the past 20 months by creating a jam jar of waste every month! The event was part of a series of events for Season of Creation was very timely as it took place during National Reuse Month.



Fr.Charlie McDonnell was in attendance and his reflection on the night was: *Roisins presentation was certainly an eye opener, not just to all that can be achieved, but more frighteningly to all that we are avoiding or ignoring. In not at least working in some way towards 'Zero Waste', we are deeply culpable in the damage being done to the inheritance of future generations.* You can read the report on this event in full and view photos by photographer Stephane Breton [on the ECI website](#).

Carlow Union of Parishes: Being a Welcoming Parish to All God's Creation

In February 2017, the Cashel, Ferns and Ossory Environmental Committee held a Conference in Kilkenny College called 'Inside and Out – A Half-day Conference on how to save energy expenses and new ways to improve your Church Environs.' One of the presenters, Dr. Úna Fitzpatrick, spoke about how vital it is to work to promote the wellbeing of pollinators. This presentation inspired the Sunday Club of Carlow Union of Parishes and their leaders to consider implementing the All-Ireland Junior Pollinator Plan 2015-2020. The children and their leaders embarked on a project to be a *Welcoming Parish to All God's Creation*. The project was a great success and they entered the competition for a Diocesan Eco-Award. They were awarded a prize at the Diocesan Synod in October under the category 'Motivation of the Young.' You can read the text of their very comprehensive application and view some photos on the [ECI website here](#).



Some inspiration from their application: *When we think about loving our neighbour do we just think about our human neighbours? What about birds, insects, animals and plants? Through this project we will express our gratitude to God for all his creatures as we promote the wellbeing of birds and pollinators in the grounds of our churches.*

A Report from South Belfast Quakers and Methodists' 'Food for All' Event

'Food for all ... for ever' was the title of the second Harvest weekend conference at South Belfast Methodist Agape Centre on 23rd September. The event was organised by Tony Weekes (South Belfast Quaker Meeting) and Richard Clarke (South Belfast Methodist Church). A similar event last year – Enough is Plenty - inspired the form and content. The social, environmental and ethical impacts of food are enormous: how we treat animals and the earth; the livelihoods of the farmers; the distribution and processing of their produce; food poverty, and food as a basic human right. Read the report from this event in full on the [ECI website](#).



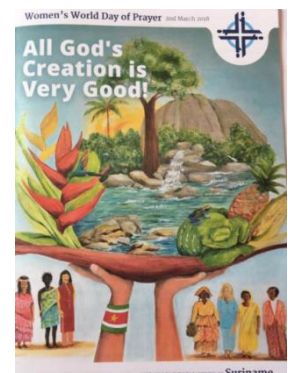
Bishops' Appeal supports those affected by environmental crises internationally

Within the Church of Ireland, the Bishops' Appeal has supported those affected by environmental crises internationally. These have included: refugees affected by flooding in Bangladesh; self-help groups in Ethiopia; people affected by natural disasters in Sierra Leone and the Caribbean region. The Church of Ireland Bishops' Appeal has an [online press release](#) where you can read about this work in more detail.



Thinking Ahead to 2018 – Women's World Day Prayer 2018 – 'All God's Creation is Very Good!'

The 2018 [Women's World Day of Prayer](#) Service has the theme "All God's Creation is Very Good!" It is written by the Christian women of Suriname who focus on creation and our responsibility to care and look after it. Women from Suriname lift up their voices to remind us that we are caretakers of God's creation! Read more from the Executive Director of Women's World Day of Prayer, Rosângela Oliveira on the ECI website [here](#). The date set for the service is always the 1st Friday in March - **2nd March 2018**. You can keep up to date on the Women's World Day of Prayer on [Facebook](#).



Church of Ireland United Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory holds 9th Annual Eco Competition for Parishes and National Schools

The Church of Ireland United Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory (covering the South-East of Ireland) ran their 9th annual Eco Competition for parishes and national schools. There were a record 10 entries! The awards were presented by Bishop Burrows at the recent Diocesan Synod in Carlow. You can read about all the award winners and their projects on the [ECI website here](#) as well as view a PowerPoint presentation containing lots of photos! More information on the Diocesan Eco-Awards is available on the website of the [United Diocese of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory](#).



Church of the Incarnation in Fettercairn, Tallaght Celebrates Harvest

Fettercairn parishioners collaborated in planning and organising this year's Harvest Festival at the Church of the Incarnation. It was a week-end of thanksgiving, not only for the bounty of the earth, but also for the many gifts and talents that are shared by individuals and groups on a daily basis in the local community. 'Euchariston' (Giving Thanks) is the expression that underlined all the week-end's celebrations. Groups and service organisations from the cluster of parishes and the wider community were invited to come along and celebrate the goodness, kindness and generosity which are the bed rock of the community. You can read more and see their photos on the [ECI website](#) as well as read a beautiful prayer entitled 'Prayer of the Conference of Animals on World Extinction'



New Repair Cafe in Belfast!

What do you do with a toaster that won't toast, a fritzzy computer or a wonky bike? All too often, it lies in a shed or gets taken to the dump, when a simple repair could keep it going for years. Communities in Belfast will soon have a new solution - bring them to a Repair Café! These are volunteer-run, pop-up community events which will take place around the city, where skilled volunteers help people fix their stuff for free. It brings people together, keeps waste out of landfill, keeps traditional skills alive and encourages re-use and repair. There are more than 1,000 regular repair cafes around the world (many held in church halls and buildings) but none have been held in Northern Ireland...until now. Read more about [Belfast's first Repair Café](#). Visit their [website](#).



New Creation Care Jubilee Farm sets up in Larne

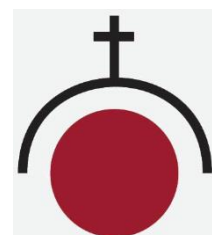
A brand new co-operative farm is being set up in Larne in January 2018 in the beautiful walled garden at [Drumalis Retreat and Conference Centre](#) with people of all backgrounds and beliefs. Jubilee Farm is a recently established inter-denominational Christian creation care organisation whose vision is to engage churches, Christians and communities with creation care. Integrating care farming, community-supported agriculture (including the first CSA scheme in Northern Ireland), and conservation education and engagement, and using a cooperative structure called a Community Benefit Society (BenCom), they hope to bring inspiring change to both the walled garden itself and to the surrounding communities.



Jonny Hanson, co-founder and managing director of Jubilee is inviting all those interested to Jubilee's consultation meeting on Friday 8 December, 2pm-4pm in the Christian Aid office, Canal House, 5 Canal Road, Dublin 6. If you'd like to attend, please rsvp to jubilee.farm.larne@gmail.com or phone 07858098479. You can read more on this initiative [in this article](#).

The Parish of Sean McDermott Street, Dublin Celebrates Creation

In the [parish of Sean McDermott Street](#) the parishioners displayed a banner outside the church announcing the 'Season of Creation' during September and October. In their Eucharist they regularly remind one another that every Eucharist is celebrated 'on the altar of the world'. At the Offertory the presence of Creation is acknowledged in the bread and wine brought to the altar and lifted in gratitude. A common introduction to



the Our Father has the congregation praying to the Father 'with all of Creation'. At the Dismissal parishioners go to make peace with one another 'and with every creature'. They are small touches but significant as they point us all towards the 'ecological conversion' we must embrace.' 'Every day is a day of Creation!' Fr Hugh O'Donnell has written an article for The Furrow magazine entitled 'The Season of Creation: A Poor Relation?' [You can read it here.](#)

Loving Sister Earth Engages with Spiritual Tourism to Promote Care for Nature



[Loving Sister Earth](#) works to develop a nationwide network of prayer and care for our common home, focused on Ireland's Holy Places. Recently they have begun to engage with the phenomenon of 'Spiritual Tourism' to foster love and care for nature. The notion of a Western Spiritual Camino is an idea that is being developed, which would link up the Aran Islands, Ballintubber, Croagh Patrick, Knock, Kylemore etc with other 'spiritual caminos' being developed right across the country.

Loving Sister Earth is drawing our attention to an exciting new collaboration between the Spirituality Institute for Research and Education in Dublin and the Department of Languages, Tourism, and Hospitality at the School of Humanities at Waterford Institute of Technology. They are organising Ireland's first conference on 'Pilgrimage and the Evolution of Spiritual Tourism'. The event will take place in WIT, Waterford on Friday, 9th March 2018. You can learn more about this conference and [read the brochure here.](#)

Drumalis 2018 Earth-Centred Retreats

[Drumalis Retreat Centre](#) in Larne, Co Antrim is offering two earth-centred retreats in 2018. 'One Family, One Common Home' is the name of the Re-inhabiting the Earth Spring Conference which will take place during 23-25 February 2018 and will be facilitated by Grainne Doherty and Dr Lorna Gold from Trócaire. This weekend retreat will close with the presentation of an Eco-Congregation Ireland Award to Drumalis in recognition of the centre's environmental work over the past 20 years.



'Exploring the Emerging Human within the Evolving Universe' will take place 23-29 June 2018 facilitated by Anne Harnett CP and Margaret Rose McSparran CP and team. You can learn more about these retreats and register by contacting druamalis@btconnect.com or phoning 028 2827 2196 / 028 2827 6455.

European Christian Environmental Network – latest online newsletter available

The aims of the European Christian Environmental Network are to share information, experiences in environmental work among widely varied Christian traditions and to encourage a united witness in caring for God's creation. ECEN has a very useful [website](#) that contains environmental news and updates on their activities.



The latest ECEN newsletter is available and is packed full of news that friends of ECI will find interesting. In this edition – the announcement of the 12th ECEN Assembly in Katowice, Poland, 6 – 10 October 2018; an update on the ECEN Leadership Team meeting; news of the new ECEN website; a call for applications to the new ECEN Roman Juriga Award for inspirational innovation for church environmental projects across Europe; update on how the ECEN network celebrated Creation Time this year; news on how global churches have acted together for climate justice in call to COP23. [Read and subscribe to it here.](#)

VOICE Ireland's Free Recycling Guidance Workshops

Many of us are confused about what can and cannot be recycled in our recycling bins. VOICE Ireland's Recycling Ambassador Programme will show you - categorically - what you can recycle in your household bin, in this free, fun, interactive workshop. The Recycling Workshops are being offered across Ireland, to help people improve Ireland's recycling rates and reduce levels of contamination in household recycling bins. Don't miss this opportunity to learn how to get your recycling bin sorted. [More details of the programme](#). This initiative has been funded by the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment (DCCA) and REPAK, and is also supported by the Eastern Midlands Regional waste office.



The workshops are being offered to community groups, sports associations, businesses, local agencies, farming groups, etc. They can deliver to groups of 30 or more and the demonstration can be delivered in between 15 - 60 minutes depending on time available. If you have an event already scheduled, VOICE Ireland would love to participate in that event and deliver their interactive workshop on the same day. Feel free to get in touch with Michele Hallahan at michele@voiceireland.org or on 087 44 88 014.

New Eco Spirituality Group at SMA Dromantine Community!

In Spring 2017, the [Society of African Missions \(SMA\) Dromantine Community](#) issued an invitation to anyone with an interest in caring for creation, ecological matters or the spirituality underpinning these issues to come together to share thoughts, ideas and experiences on this vitally important subject. About a dozen people attended the first meeting and a very lively and full discussion took place about what interests, inspires and concerns people on the issue of caring for creation.



Through the initial meetings, reflections and discussions, the group have now identified five key areas on which to focus: waste management, organic gardening, networking, energy conservation and biodiversity. These five areas will be the focus for the various sub-groups and form the core of the work and reflection which the group undertakes for the coming year. The Group can be contacted through Dympna Mallon, Laity Coordinator, African Missions, Dromantine, 96 Glen Road, Newry, CO Down, BT34 1RH, (028) 3082 1024, or email laity@sma.ie. They are also on [Facebook](#).

Pray and Fast for the Climate – Advent Prayer Points

[Pray and Fast for the Climate](#) has produced a very useful [list of prayer points](#) for Advent. This December they are focussing on: next steps for the UN talks; Significant Divestment and Reinvestment Moves; visit to the UK by Katharine Hayhoe, evangelical Christian and climate scientist –Reasons to Care about Climate; points of thanksgiving; caring for the oceans.



An Tairseach – Outdoor Christmas Market & Digital Detox Retreat

An Tairseach is holding a festive outdoor Christmas market on Saturday 2 December, 10am-3pm. All are welcome! Festive goodies for sale! The An Tairseach 2018 Calendar is now available for €10 in their Ecology Centre Shop. Designed by Helen Maher and Sr Colette Kane.



Give yourself a break from technology and join An Tairseach Dominican Farm and Ecology Centre for their Digital Detox Weekend, 10-11 February 2018. Recharge your mind, body and soul while you stay in their comfortable en-suite rooms and enjoy delicious organic meals prepared with food produced on their farm. An Tairseach is located in tranquil setting within Wicklow Town. With a beautiful garden to explore and extensive

picturesque farmland overlooking the sea, there are plenty of places to meander, relax and recharge. You can learn more about this event on [An Tairseach's Facebook profile](#) or call 0404 61914.

Global Catholic Climate Movement Advent Resources Available!

There is a wealth of ways to share the joy of Laudato Si' this Advent! The Global Catholic Climate Movement has produced wonderful resources for Advent 2017. [Download these resources here.](#) The resources include: creation-themed Advent calendars; list of the top 5 ways to green your Christmas; kids' colouring book with Pope Francis and the Earth; Advent Novena for the Creator and creation.



New Publications

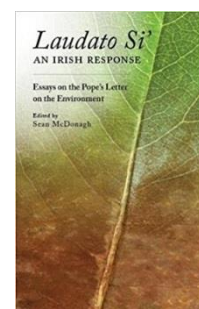
Ethical Investments in an Era of Climate Change: A Guide to Reviewing Environmental & Social Governance of Catholic Investments

This resource is a handy guide for faith-based organisations on how to kick off a process of review to align investments to a climate changed world. [It is available online here.](#) Lorna Gold, the author, is available to come and give presentations on this in the New Year to interested groups. You can book her at lorna.gold@trocaire.org.



Laudato Si': An Irish Response: Essays on the Pope's Letter on the Environment edited by Sean McDonagh

In this book Sean McDonagh has invited a host of eminent theologians, academics and environmentalists, all living and working in Ireland, to offer their own responses to Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home*. With voices from various backgrounds - anthropological, sociological and theological – this book explores what one contributor dubs the 'disruptive power' of Pope Francis' encyclical and its crucial call for 'ecological conversion'. [Learn more.](#)



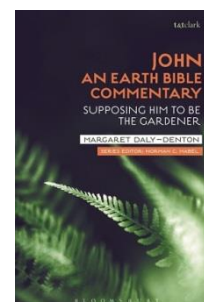
'Out of the Frying Pan, Into the Fire' - Report on Climate Change and Violent Conflict

Christian Aid has launched a new, two part report analysing the threat of climate change increasing violence or conflict, and how wars and instability in turn aggravate climate change. [You can read the reports here.](#) Also, Christian Aid's Big Shift campaign continues to call on banks to shift investments out of fossil fuel companies and into clean energy or low-carbon alternatives. You can email the banks to add your voice to the campaign [here](#).



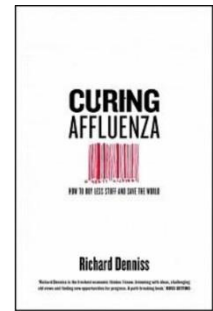
'Supposing Him to be the Gardener: John: An Earth Bible Commentary' by Margaret Daly-Denton

This volume in the Earth Bible Commentary Series suggests how John's Gospel might motivate and resource a Christian response to the ecological crisis. Margaret Daly-Denton shows how aptly Mary Magdalene recognised the risen Jesus as 'the gardener', completing his day's work in the 'garden' of the Earth. The Johannine story of Jesus offers his present day followers a paradigm with considerable potential to inspire Earth care, sustainable living and commitment to eco-justice. Learn more and [purchase this publication.](#)



‘Curing Affluenza: How to Buy Less Stuff and Save the World’ by Richard Dennis

Affluenza is that strange desire we feel to spend money we don't have to buy things we don't need to impress people we don't know . . . A truly modern affliction, affluenza is endemic in Western societies, encouraged by those who profit from a culture of exploitation and waste. In this sparkling book of ideas, Richard Dennis shows we must distinguish between consumerism, the love of buying things, which is undeniably harmful to us and the planet, and materialism, the love of things, which can in fact be beneficial. We should cherish the things we own – preserve them, repair them and then gift or sell them when we no longer need them. We must foster new ways of thinking and acting that do not squander limited resources, and which support the things we value most: vibrant communities and rich experiences. [Learn more.](#)



‘Permaculture Guide to Reed Beds: Designing, Building and Planting Your Treatment Wetland System’ by Féidhlim Harty

Permaculture Guide to Reed Beds is a comprehensive overview of reed bed systems and treatment wetlands for household effluent treatment. Going from system selection and design to construction, planting and maintenance; this guide offers the reader a complete how-to manual for getting your own reed bed system up and running. Féidhlim Harty is director of FH Wetland Systems Ltd. environmental consultancy, based in Ennis, Co. Clare. FH Wetland Systems specialises in designing and planting constructed wetlands, reed beds, zero discharge willow facilities and other natural sewage treatment systems. You can learn more about this publication and [purchase it here.](#)



Eco challenge!

Christmas is coming and it's so easy to get caught up in the consumerism, consumption and frenzy of the season. However there are many organisations out there where we can purchase ethical and eco-friendly presents for our loved ones and at the same time help the poor and the earth at this materialistic time of year. Let's try this Christmas to support as many fair trade and earth friendly organisations as we can! Here are a few links to begin with: [Traidcraft](#); [Trócaire Gifts](#); [Christian Aid Gifts](#); [Oxfam Gifts](#); [Tear Fund Living Gifts](#); [Bóthar](#). I am sure we can all think of many more. Let us think before we spend this Christmas.



Prayer for the Earth

Since the last Eco-Congregation Ireland newsletter, many Christians around the world have marked All Saints and All Souls Day. The following is a beautiful prayer from the [Global Catholic Climate Movement](#) which helps us remember some of the eco-martyrs, places, and creatures who have passed on to God.



God of all Creation,

Today we remember all life that has journeyed back to You.

We remember family and friends

Who have closely touched our lives.

We remember our sisters and brothers

Who are nameless to us but form part of our global family.

We remember our eco-martyr sisters and brothers

Who have had their lives violently and unjustly taken from them for their defence of Creation.

We remember creatures big and small,
Which through human-induced extinction no longer roam the land, soar through the skies, or swim in the oceans.

We remember the natural world, lakes and rivers, forests and fields, mountains and valleys
That have been destroyed for human consumption.

We believe that You came for the salvation of the entire world and all the life it holds.

We trust that You have welcomed all Creation that has died in this earthly world into the Cosmic Home.

May we all be united in the love of the Cosmic Christ that is infinite and forever. Amen.

With kindest regards,

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