Welcome to

GLOBAL CATHOLIC CLIMATE MOVEMENT CANADA
GCCM Canada organizational structure

Advisory Circle providing program support and focus to Coordinator

Coordinator managing the network of partners, program implementation, communications and support to Animators and participants

Coordinating, 11 person Advisory Circle and subcommittees

Faith & the Common Good MOU with GCCM

Providing professional technical and program support to Coordinator

100 + Animators

Partner organizations Catholic Laity

The feet on the ground in parishes and communities across the country developing events, engaging in advocacy and spreading awareness of Laudato Si’ with resources provided on website and through Coordinator
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How we’ll do it

- **Spiritual Dimension**: Undergo Ecological Conversion
- **Lifestyle Dimension**: Lead by example
- **Reconciliation Dimension**: Learn about, support and act with Indigenous peoples
- **Public Policy Dimension**: Mobilize & Advocate for bold Policies

**Internal Transformation**

**External Transformation**
Programming Guide

Laudato Si’ Dialogues Newsletters

Webinars with learning and networking opportunities

GCCMCanada Google Group to highlight current activities, engage in informal chats and share news

Website with Spiritual, Lifestyle, Reconciliation and Public Policy Tools for Action

Including videos, study guides, event and organizing toolkits, links to programs to reduce carbon footprint, eco spirituality suggestions, Catholic ecological news, and statements from Pope Francis and our Bishops
Global Catholic Climate Movement Canada

“Hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor”

– Pope Francis, Laudato Si’

https://www.faithcommongood.org/global_catholic_climate_movement_canada
1. **Enshrine the United Nation’s Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples into Canadian law.**

Bill C-262, sponsored by the NDP’s Cree MP Romeo Saganash, was unanimously passed by the House of Commons. However, the Bill died in the Senate in June 2019. It needs to be taken up again after the October 2019 federal election. Excellent resources to learn more about UNDRIP and Canada’s response can be found at: [https://www.declarationcoalition.com/more-info/](https://www.declarationcoalition.com/more-info/)
Canadian Indigenous people standing up for their rights to protect land, water and their cultures.

- Chippewas of the Thames vs Enbridge’s Line 9, Ontario 2016
- Elsipogtog and Mi’kmaq vs Shale Gas Exploration in New Brunswick, 2013
- Tsleil-Waututh First Nation vs Kinder Morgan’s Trans Mountain pipeline B.C., ongoing
2. A Just Transition for Canada: Action to Address the Climate Emergency as we emerge from COVID-19.

Citizens for Public Justice has set up an online action in partnership with the CRC’s Centre for Public Dialogue. Urge your MP to support increased climate ambition and clean energy policies by visiting these links. https://cpj.ca/take-action-climate-justice/ While you're there, browse their various toolkits to find different ways to begin your advocacy work.
St. Patrick’s, Caledonia ladies sign CPJ “Give it up for Lent” campaign, 2018

Iron & Earth: Oil Sands Workers Ready For Renewable Energy Shift

Lauren Tyler for North American Wind Power
February 14, 2017
3. Divest from fossil fuels and re-invest in low/no carbon solutions.

Individuals, and bigger investors in congregations, universities, companies and institutions can use their money to promote environmental and social progress, such as investing in “fossil-free funds”. See: [https://genuscap.com/](https://genuscap.com/) or the Shareholder Association for Research and Education [https://share.ca/](https://share.ca/). For a list of Catholic organizations globally who have already declared they will divest have a look at [https://catholicclimatemovement.global/announcements/](https://catholicclimatemovement.global/announcements/)
24 new Catholic groups announce divesting in May, 2020. Seven in Ireland, and five in South America, they include eight lay organizations, eight religious orders, and four dioceses.

Brian Rowe, May 17, 2020
NATIONAL CATHOLIC REPORTER

A total of 16 Catholic institutions made commitments in the latest announcement, during the Season of Creation

Brian Rowe, September 13, 2019
NATIONAL CATHOLIC REPORTER

Bishop’s conferences from the Philippeans, Ireland, Austria, Italy, and East Africa have already divested.
4. Support a national price on carbon pollution.

The economists at Canada’s Ecofiscal Commission are convinced this is a good idea, https://ecofiscal.ca/ and even Pope Francis has referred to carbon pricing as “essential.” https://nationalpost.com/news/world/pope-calls-carbon-pricing-essential-and-calls-for-action
Partnerships open doors
Take Action Now!  Two Important Petitions

Letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau: Catholics United for Climate Action, a call from the Joint Ecological Ministry have organized an Open Letter to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau from Canadian Catholics Regarding the Climate Emergency.  by May 22, 2020  
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdz5ZGXgsnWhW6dqYcpq-7CbV2rMxSlp97hj3sQNNrrDETTWQ/viewform

Petition to the House of Commons: The Canadian Ombudsperson for Responsible Enterprise cannot effectively investigate allegations of human rights abuse linked to Canadian companies’ global operations. Human rights and environmental defenders, especially Indigenous, women and others face increasing harassment, intimidation, criminalization and even murder in standing up to powerful corporations. We call upon the House of Commons to take concrete measures to strengthen the rules for businesses and uphold human rights.  
#EmpowerANDEnact by Sept 1, 2020  
Ways to participate with GCCM Canada!

Visit our website

https://www.faithcommongood.org/global_catholic_climate_movement_canada

where you can:

- donate to GCCM Canada
  (choose GCCM Canada in the Fund selection box)
- sign up to receive newsletters and emails
- sign up to volunteer
- access resources
- find latest news
- find other ways to get involved