

## **St Joseph's Action on Climate and the Environment**

### **Launch 1<sup>st</sup> March at the 10.00 am Mass**

#### So what have we done so far?

The EcoChurch award requires us to look at the whole church site in terms of environmental friendliness and efficiency etc.

Fr. Tony and the Parish Team have already been addressing care for the environment for example, by having bird feeders, a bat box, wilder areas of garden, recycling provision in the hall and office and a bike rack.

As individuals for the CAFOD live simply award we need to look at how we as individuals and families can play our part.

During Lent we are suggesting that along with prayer and fasting, we undertake an environmental challenge. Various suggestions will be coming up in the next few weeks and there is a handy little booklet which takes you through Lent with prayers and practical suggestions for each day;

#### **'Live Lent: care for God's Creation'**

These booklets cost £2 and are in the repository.

A children's version will be given to all KS2 pupils at St Joseph's school. These will be available for purchase soon.

#### ***Lenten Challenges: suggestions***

- Express my gratitude and value what I have: repair / re-use / borrow / share
- Turning the taps off whilst you brush your teeth (we're aiming this one at kiddies!)
- Don't buy bottled water or takeaway coffee cups

**When you have decided on your Lenten challenge post a note on the new notice board in the hall to inspire others.**