

30 April 2026: Fourth Session

“Integral Ecology”

Chair: Innocent-Mária Vladimir Szaniszló
Pontifical Angelicum University, Rome

Resource Persons:

- 1) **Séverine Deneulin**, *Laudato Si’ Research Institute, University of Oxford*
- 2) **Allen Oflaro**, *Catholic Youth Network for Environmental Sustainability, Nairobi*
- 3) **Savio Silveria**, *Don Bosco Green Alliance, Philippines*
- 4) **Diana Marin**, *Catholic Climate Covenant, USA*

28 May 2026: Fifth Session

“Lines of Action”

Chair: Claudia Caneva
Pontifical Lateran University

Resource Persons:

- 1) **Erin Lothes**, *Executive Director, Bethany Center*
- 2) **Neil Thorns**, *CAFOD - Catholic International Development Charity, UK*
- 3) **Joseph Marianus Kujur**, *Director, Xavier Institute of Social Service, Ranchi*
- 4) **Alonso de Llanes**, *Laudato Si’ Action Platform*

11 June 2026: Sixth Session

“Ecological Education and Spirituality”

Chair: Giuseppe Buffon
Pontifical Antonianum University

Resource Persons:

- 1) **Amy Echeverria**, *Justice, Peace and Ecology Sector of Columban Missionaries*
- 2) **Michael Schuck**, *Loyola University, Chicago*
- 3) **Tomás Insua**, *Laudato Si’ Center, Assisi*
- 4) **Emanuela Chiang**, *VIS – Volontariato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo, Rome*

25 June 2026: International Conference: Creating a People’s Movement for the care of Our Common Home

Chair: Joshtrom Isaac Kureethadam,
Salesian Pontifical University and
Jackie Miller, *Partnership for Change*

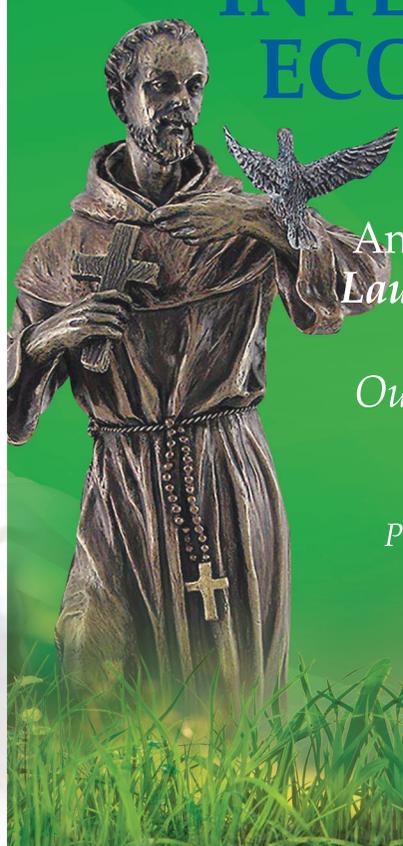
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INTRODUCTION

On 4th October 2023, on the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron of ecology, Pope Francis released *Laudate Deum*, the apostolic exhortation that builds on the landmark encyclical letter *Laudato si'* of 2015.

With the new exhortation, Pope Francis raises once again his prophetic voice for the care of our common home and one another, especially the most vulnerable in our midst. As the Pontiff points out “our responses have not been adequate” and “the world in which we live is collapsing and may be nearing the breaking point.” (*Laudate Deum*, 2). Pope Francis reminds us that “what is being asked of us is nothing other than a certain responsibility for the legacy we will leave behind, once we pass from this world.” (*LD*, 18)

In *Laudate Deum*, Pope Francis, citing the weakness of International Politics, painfully notes that “global crises are being squandered when they could be the occasions to bring about beneficial changes” (*LD*, 36), which also demonstrates that we continue to remain largely deaf to the growing “cry of the earth and the cry of the poor” (*LS*, 49). Time is running out. However, we are still to wake up to the gravity of the existential threat to life and civilization on this planet that we call “home”?

The unprecedented challenge facing the planet and people can only be addressed within the lens of an integral ecological vision that Pope Francis championed in *Laudato si'*. The rebuilding of *Our Common Home*, and our common human and biotic family calls for an alliance of all members of our household cutting across of all segments of society. It was in the spirit of this prophetic mission that the Pontifical Universities and Atheneums in Rome came together soon after the publication of *Laudato si'* to initiate the Joint Diploma in Integral Ecology. We continue our collective and fruitful efforts to offer the Second Edition of English online Course in partnership with many leading groups involved in the area of creation care.

OBJECTIVES

- 1) To promote and spread the message of both *Laudato si'* and *Laudate Deum* and to initiate a sort of cultural revolution, creating ecological awareness among people.
- 2) To educate and encourage people to take some personal as well as common initiatives to care for *Our Common Home*.

CONTENT AND MODALITY

The Course in Integral Ecology will consist of six modules of 90 minutes each to be held from January to June 2026 (on every third Thursday of the month from 14.00 to 15.30 hrs CEST / GMT+1), along with an international online conference on *Creating a People's Movement for the care of Our Common Home* that will be organized on 25 June 2026. Online enrolment for the course will open in December 2025, and on completing the program attendees will be awarded a certificate of participation on request.

COURSE ENROLLMENT

For on-line enrollment please go to:

<https://corsionline.unigre.it>

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

- 1) Identity Card / Passport (Pdf)
- 2) A short presentation (100 words) of the motive to pursue the Course (Pdf)
- 3) Enrollment and Course Fee consists of € 30,00. Payments can be made by Bank / Pay Pal.
N.B. In case of any need for help or for financial assistance, please contact: jdei.english@unigre.it

PROGRAMME

The Course will be handled by an international faculty of renowned academics, leaders and activists in the area of creation care, drawn from the Pontifical Universities and Atheneums in Rome and from around the world.

29 January 2026: First Session

“What is Happening to Our Common Home?”

Chair: Prem Xalxo

Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome

Resource Persons:

- 1) **Lorna Gold**, Executive Director, *Laudato Si' Movement*
- 2) **Mauricio Lopez**, Ecclesial Conference of the Amazon
- 3) **Rodne Galicha**, *Living Laudato Si' Philippines*
- 4) **Joshtrom Isaac Kureethadam**, *Salesian Pontifical University, Rome*

26 February 2026: Second Session

“The Gospel of Creation”

Chair: Arturo Bellocq

Pontifical Holy Cross University, Rome

Resource Persons:

- 1) **Sheila Kinsey**, Coordinator, *Integrity for Nonviolence Program & Board Member of the Dicastery for Integral Human Development*
- 2) **Mark Charlesworth**, *University of Strathclyde in Scotland & Volunteer on Laudato si' – Bishops' Conference of Scotland*
- 3) **Angelito Andig Cortez**, *Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation - Order of the Friars Minor*
- 4) **Prem Xalxo**, *Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome*

26 March 2026: Third Session

“The Human Roots of the Crisis”

Chair: Giulia Lombardi

Pontifical Urban University, Rome

Resource Persons:

- 1) **Dominique Lambert**, *Université de Namur, Belgium*
- 2) **Jacqui Remond**, *Australian Catholic University*
- 3) **Inocent-Mária Vladimír Szaniszló**, *Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas - Angelicum*
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