

Our Common Home Project Newsletter



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"The destruction of the environment is an offence against God. I make this heartfelt appeal: Let us choose life! Let us choose the future!"

Pope Francis, in a letter addressed to world leaders at COP28

RECYCLING

In an attempt to protect Our Common Home, parishioners are encouraged to recycle what they can.



To help with this you can recycle these items at Church:

- Printer Ink Cartridges (NOT Laser toner)
- Used pens/Biros/markers
- Plastic toothbrushes, empty toothpaste tubes (Any make)
- Marigold washing up gloves
- Used stamps, currencies & coins, jewellery, mobile phones and gadgets

This is in addition to the current recycling available at home through Enfield Council. (Paper, card, food cans, glass bottles & jars, plastic bottles, tubs & pots, Aluminium foil, Drink cartons e.g. fruit juice ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN AND DRY

We cannot accept the following items at church but they can be recycled at local supermarkets

Soft Plastics e.g. Any plastic film wrapping that can't be recycled with your council kerbside collection e.g. fruit, veg and salad bags, bread bags, sweet wrappers, clear film used to wrap meat and fish, crisp packets.

Batteries can be recycled at any shop selling them.

Plastic milk bottle tops are no longer collected at church but should be recycled with the plastic milk bottles in council recycling.

THE RECYCLING POINT IS ON THE RIGHT AFTER THE DOOR THAT LEADS FROM THE ENTRANCE HALL INTO THE CORRIDOR.

All web links in this newsletter can be found on the **Our Common Home** page of the parish website.

The Earth was here before us and was given to us - Our Common Home. It is God's dominion, but entrusted to us, and it is our shared responsibility to be good stewards of everything we have received – nature, one another, resources, gifts and talents.

WHAT IMPACT DO YOUR CLOTHES HAVE ON THE PLANET - OUR COMMON HOME?

The fashion industry is responsible for 8-10% of global emissions - and British shoppers buy more clothes than any others in Europe.

Now, some UK brands are being investigated over claims about the sustainability of their fashion lines.

What can you do to reduce your wardrobe's impact on the planet?

Read more here

ENFIELD SECOND HIGHEST LONDON BOROUGH FOR ROAD TRANSPORT EMISSIONS, FOR 3RD CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Enfield Council published its Climate Action Plan in 2020 with the ambition to achieve net zero for the Borough by 2040, and for the Council's own operations by 2030. The plan contains details of actions planned to achieve these targets. Some, such as its own operations, are within the Council's control. Many others, not within its control, it can influence.

The largest items for Enfield are the same categories: domestic gas use is 28.5%, BUT road transport using fossil fuels is a whopping 37%.

We can all do more to consider options of walking, cycling and public transport instead of getting in the car.

Read more <u>here</u>

From Enfield Climate Action Forum

COME AND JOIN US!

New members of the Our Common Home Team are always welcome. Please come to our next meeting with your ideas or to find out how you can help. Our next three meetings are:

14th April, 12th May and 16th June 2024

We meet in the parish library at 10am for one hour before 11am Mass.

