

Parish of St. John Vianney: LiveSimply reflection and action

SEASON OF CREATION: 1st SEPT – 4th OCT 2025

Our LiveSimply Prayer: Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you for the world You created for us to share. We ask you to give us the grace to work together, to live more simply, **more sustainably**, and in solidarity with the poor. *Through Christ our Lord.*



PEACE WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2025



From: **CELEBRATION GUIDE FOR THE SEASON OF CREATION:**

This year's world ecumenical theme for the Season of Creation is '[Peace with Creation](#)'. It's inspired by Isaiah (32: 14-18), where the prophet Isaiah portrays a desolate Creation, lacking peace due to injustice and the broken relationship between God and humankind. Devastated cities and wastelands reflect the destructive impact that human activities can have on Earth. God's plan for Creation is rooted in justice and peace, but human sin disrupts this, leaving Creation in ruins. Isaiah describes the results of our becoming more distant from Creation. He then looks forward to his people living in '*a peaceful habitation, in secure homes, and in quiet resting places*'.

SEPTEMBER ACTION: participate in parish celebrations, *Laudato Si'* reflections and prayer for this year's Season of Creation

Reflection: Pope Leo has expressed his continued support for [Laudato si'](#), its positive impact and the work of Pope Francis. *Laudato si'* urges us to care for creation as **part of our Faith**. We can show our care by raising issues such as water pollution, contacting the agencies responsible and our MPs, and reflecting on **the impact of our daily lifestyles on the environment**. With the help of the Holy Spirit this '*ecological conversion*' brings us to **appreciation and thankfulness for God's Gifts of Creation around us**. Last month we aimed to improve our natural environment with small actions. This month we join the world's ecumenical community to celebrate creation through our weekly liturgy. **Turn over** for dates for your diary this month. Please make a special note of the weekend of **20th and 21st September**



Photos: last year at St. Paul's and IHOM

Our Celebrations of Creation: Sept 2025

Sun
7th

BLESSING OF OUR GARDENS

Our fruit trees and parish gardens will be blessed after the **9.30 Mass at IHOM** to mark our thankfulness for our church environment.

Parishioners are invited to attend the blessing
(Tea/coffee in the hall afterwards)

Wed
17th

OUTDOOR 12.00 MASS

The parish Mass will be held outdoors in front of the "Calvary" at Immaculate Heart church at **12.00 noon**. This gives us an opportunity to pray and renew our commitment to care for the environment in which we live. (Pray for the same good weather as last year!)

Weekend
20th /
21st

GIFTS OF CREATION AT ALL MASSES

We invite everyone to bring a '**Gift of Creation**' to mass today. These may be flowers or cuttings, plants, packets of seeds, pictures or photographs etc which **demonstrate the wonder of God's Creation**, and drawings, especially children's, will be most welcome. Please place these gifts in the boxes at the entrance to either church before each Mass. They will be taken to the altar with the Offertory procession.

Thu
25th

CELEBRATING LATER LIFE

The donated Gifts of Creation will be **distributed at September's CLL Mass and lunch**. What a wonderful way to celebrate the news of God's Creation.



PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Please read the parish weekly bulletins for details of **PRAYER GROUP REFLECTIONS** on this year's theme for the Season of Creation.



*LiveSimply contactless donations (back of church) this month will support the development of our parish **Laudato Si'** Garden.*

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