



Care for God's Creation



(Nearly) Spring update 2025

Weathering the storms?

Nothing reminds us that we live on an Island quite as much as the winter! Havoc is quick to land where the boat can not! With severe weather—trees falling like twigs and roads turned in to rivers (or ice rinks). It highlights to us, more so than most that the weather is changing and we are at its mercy. Thoughts of self-sufficiency and resilience are very much in the fore. Many say that climate change is too bigger thing for one person to tackle. Well, yes, that is true—which is why if we all do a little bit we can make a better future for everyone. *Louise 474275—carbon.zero@sodorandman.im*

A prayer for:

Gods protection for all those affected by natural disasters, fire, flood and freeze.

Gods strength for the rescue workers, emergency services and kind souls working to alleviate suffering.

Gods comfort and loving light on all those experiencing loss, pain and suffering.

Amen



ENERGY FOOTPRINT TOOL

Communications Toolkit

Everything you need to encourage your parishes to fill in the Energy Footprint Tool

NOW
OPEN
for 2025!

The EFT is OPEN!!

...And will close (a little earlier this year) on the 30 June 2025.

It has been redesigned for 2025, and you should find it quick (about an hour) and straightforward to use.

This helps the Church to understand how energy is used and can help you to kick start energy saving projects.

As well as it being a **requirement** for Net Zero grant applications you will be helping the Church of England to monitor how the Island is progressing towards becoming Net Zero by 2030.

Give to Go Green NEW ROUND

Apply **today** for your energy saving project to be matched by 50%. This round is in two phases, one closing 26.01.25 and the second 16.03.25—don't delay apply today to increase your chances of success. Apply [HERE](#). The fundraising period is over TT, so every £1 you raise the Church of England will match (up to £10,000).

Projects can include—draft reduction, damp prevention / repair, LED lights, Infra red panels, heated cushions— If you want to chat through an idea or need some help please contact Louise.





Net Zero Carbon & Eco Church



What type of organiser are you?

They say that there are two types of people. Imagine you are going on holiday. One person has the passports, tickets—saved to phone AND printed (in triplicate- just in case), the map and a detailed itinerary. The other doesn't know where they are going or what time the ferry is..... (and usually these two people are married to each other).

Whatever type of organiser you are, the Church of England has you covered this year with a 2025 Environmental days and events calendar.

There are some really interesting days coming up that we can celebrate as a church and use to engage with exciting community events.

For those who like to pre-plan, scan the QR code below for the full years dates, for everyone else, the next few months are below:

January 17-23 Big Energy Saving Week
26 International Environmental Education Day
24-26 RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch
7-14.02 RSPB Big School Bird Watch
28 International Reducing C02 Emissions Day

February 2 World Wetlands Day
20 World Day of Social Justice

March 3 World Wildlife Day
5 Ash Wednesday
18 Global recycling day
21-6.03 Great British Spring Clean
21 International day of Forests
22 World Water Day & Earth Hour

Quick fire questions on net zero

In a series of short videos produced by the grant-making charity Benefact Trust, Net Zero Programme Director Julian Atkins shares why the Church of England is aiming to reach net zero by 2030.

He answers questions such as 'why not wait for the cost of emission reducing technology to go down?', 'why is net zero key to the Church of England's mission?' and discusses the easy steps that everyone can take to start reducing their carbon footprint.

You can watch the videos [here](#).

Eco Church Update

20 Registered
3 Silver
5 ↑ Bronze

Fantastic news that our Eco Church registrations & awards continue to increase. We have another TWO churches now awarded Bronze. Well Done to all involved and thank you!



Not only does this show your Churches commitment to safeguarding Gods creation but it also helps demonstrate the Diocese progress. Thank you for your continued efforts.