



Reflecting on the Laudato Si' Goals

We invite you to create a brief document or video reflection explaining how your unique values and identity are connected to the Laudato Si' Goals and upload it to the Laudato Si' Action Platform.

You can use this template to create your reflection, or you can use your own format to carry out your reflection in the way that is most meaningful to you.

Please feel free to answer these questions to help you develop your reflection.

- Review the Laudato Si' Goals [here](#). Which of these goals speaks to you the most, and how have they inspired changes for you or your community?

The **Goal on Ecological Education and Ecological Spirituality** speaks to us the most. At Don Bosco School of Theology (DBST), these two goals form the foundation of our Laudato Si' journey. Through *Project Eden* and the *Laudato Si' Certified Environmental Trainer (LSCET) Program*, we have seen how education and spirituality transform awareness into concrete ecological action. These initiatives inspire both staff and students to recognize that care for creation is not a peripheral concern but an essential expression of faith. Our classrooms, gardens, and even our operations have become places of formation where theology, ecology, and technology converge — a living expression of what we call **THEOCOLGY**. This integration has inspired changes in personal lifestyle, institutional choices, and community engagement.



- Enrich your understanding of how "[everything is connected.](#)" How has the socio-ecological crisis affected your community?

Laudato Si' reminds us that *"everything is connected."* At DBST, this truth is visible in the relationship between the **cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor**. Our neighboring communities face issues such as flooding, poor waste management, and lack of livelihood — all of which are consequences of environmental neglect. Through the *Laudato Si' Community Development (LSCOMDEV) Program*, we have witnessed how environmental degradation directly worsens poverty and social inequity. This has taught our community that ecological conversion must also be **social conversion** — healing both the environment and human relationships. Our response, therefore, includes not only greening the campus but also empowering nearby marginalized families through skills training, ecological awareness, and community-led projects.

- What is your mission and/or your values?

Our mission, renewed in the DBST 2033 Strategic Plan, is:

"We commit ourselves to the formation of priests, consecrated persons, and the laity to be educators in the faith of the young and of families in response to the challenges of the New Evangelization."

Our vision extends this mission toward ecological conversion:

"Following the spirit of St. John Bosco, we are the leading center of forming shepherds of the young and their families with a theological education and pastoral training towards ecological conversion and eco-spiritual lifestyle."

Our core values — *Fidelity to the Magisterium, Missionary Discipleship, Pastoral Charity, Salesian Joy, and Care for Creation* — animate all our efforts in theology, formation, and ecological transformation.



- How do your unique mission and/or values and identity connect with the Laudato Si' Goals?

Our Salesian identity and educational mission deeply resonate with the Laudato Si' Goals.

- **Response to the Cry of the Earth & Poor:** DBST's *LSCOMDEV* and *Eco-Hub* projects link theology with social action by addressing poverty through ecological livelihood and environmental advocacy.
 - **Ecological Education & Spirituality:** The *LSCET* and curriculum integration initiatives align with the fifth and sixth goals, nurturing ecological awareness and spirituality among theologians and pastoral workers.
 - **Sustainable Lifestyles & Ecological Economics:** The school practices sustainability through solar panels, rainwater harvesting, composting, biochar production, and the use of recycled materials — translating principles into daily action. These initiatives make our theological formation **theology in action**, witnessing to integral ecology and ecological conversion.
- Why do you feel called to join the Laudato Si' Action Platform in your journey to integral ecology?

We feel called to join the **Laudato Si' Action Platform (LSAP)** because it provides a global framework for what DBST is already living out locally — the journey toward *integral ecology*. Joining LSAP is a commitment to communion with the universal Church and with all who heed Pope Francis' call to care for our common home.

It also allows DBST to share our model of **THEOCLOGY** and *Project Eden* as contributions to the wider movement, and to learn from others who are journeying toward ecological conversion. Ultimately, this call is both **vocational and institutional** — to embody the Gospel by transforming our theology, spirituality, and community life into a witness of ecological discipleship.



- Whether you have already been taking action on Laudato Si' for some time or are just beginning your journey, what are your existing initiatives or the efforts you have already started? Use any online calculators that are helpful to you, or use the table below.



	Current Actions	What's working well	Areas for Improvement
Response to the Cry of the Earth	Solar energy system, rainwater collection, MRF, composting, biochar production, tree planting	Visible reduction of waste and carbon footprint; students experience hands-on sustainability	Strengthen monitoring and expand renewable energy capacity
Response to the Cry of the Poor	Laudato Si' Community Development (LSCOMDEV) with livelihood and ecological workshops	Partnership with local communities; empowerment of marginalized sectors	Establish stronger long-term livelihood support and funding sustainability
Ecological Economics	Avoiding investments in harmful industries; promoting sustainable procurement	Ethical financial practices and value-based partnerships	Broaden advocacy for ecological investments and fair-trade networks
Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyles	Plastic-free policy, food waste reduction, digitalization to cut paper use	Behavior change among staff and students; reduced campus waste	Strengthen lifestyle monitoring and household-level initiatives



Ecological Education	LSCET Program and curriculum integration (THEOCOLOGY framework)	Strong enrollment and replication; integration in formation courses	Introduce advanced modules (renewable energy, waste innovations)
Ecological Spirituality	Season of Creation, Mary Garden, Labyrinth, Eco-prayers, Salesian ecological formation	Deepened sense of creation spirituality among students	Broaden participation of alumni and lay partners
Community Resilience and Empowerment	Partnership with dioceses, Living Laudato Si' Philippines, and BCBP	Expanding network for ecological advocacy	Develop inter-school and parish-based LS action clusters