Environmental Awareness Days

Community & Global Engagement



12-19th November Interfaith Week

25th November-3 December National Tree Week





Supporting your church on your journey to **Net Zero Carbon 2030**



Aigburth Eco Church & Climate Event

St Anne's, Aigburth hosted an event bringing together local residents, activists, eco businesses and churches to share practical actions that churches

can take on their journey to achieve Net Zero Carbon 2030 & Eco Church.

At the event, guest speakers including St Mary's Church, Grassendale; Christ Church, Toxteth Park and UK charity Water Aid shared their journeys including engaging young people, land management, creative use of managing warmth in old buildings, Christian Climate Action and the challenges faced by many of access to clean water. Local eco businesses, networks and charities offered insights, support and advice to mitigate climate change, reduce waste, share more, and address energy efficiency & fuel poverty; including Energy Projects Plus, Liverpool Tool Library & Mersey Green Network Map For more information, please email nzc@faiths4change.org.uk



This newsletter is produced by Faiths4Change as part of the support offered to Churches in the Diocese of Liverpool who are working towards achieving Net Zero Carbon 2030

Find out how we can support your church on its journey to become Net Zero Carbon & progress to an Eco Church award, please email nzc@faiths4change.org.uk

Green Church Awards open for entries

You are invited to enter the new Church Times Green Awards! Share what your church, school or community group is doing to make a big impact in your community through eco projects. Find out more <u>here</u>.



Eco Church is an awards framework that supports and resources your church to worship, reflect and act on care for creation, reduce carbon and enhance biodiversity. A Rocha have put together some new resources to help you - click here - and a video you can share with your church - click here.

The diagram below was shared in a recent Church of England webinar about the links between Eco Church & NZC 2030

What is zero carbon anyway?

Energy use (oil, gas, electricity) x conversion factors

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Fuel from reimbursable travel x conversion factors

Majority of a church's gross "carbon footprint"

100% renewable electricity



Carbon offsets / sequestration

Majority of a church's net "carbon footprint"



Zero by 2030

*Your conversion factor is how to change the units of energy you are using into a measure of your <u>greenhouse gas emissions</u>. You can also find out what your carbon footprint is by looking at your EFT report.

NZC 2030 Knowledge Platform

Other Eco Church & Net Zero Action Related Opportunities



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Transition Liverpool aims to bring together people who have an interest in making changes at a grassroots level and provide an opportunity to network with others who are concerned about climate breakdown.

Tuesday November 21st The Quiet Garden at St Peter's Church in Birkdale, a short talk by Pam James

Pam has also been involved in teaching and working as a therapist.

St Peter's Church Birkdale is part of the Quiet Garden Movement, a network of beautiful gardens and outdoor spaces for prayer, stillness and an appreciation of the natural world.

Pam said: "At the talk that is planned more will be shared about the garden's history, design, and purpose. Together with my husband we have been looking after the Garden for the past few of years. Whilst we are currently in this role, there are those who have gone before us since 2006 who have played a major part. Being interested in and caring for gardens has been part of life for most of my years."

Venue: Liverpool Quaker Meeting House,

22 School Lane, Liverpool L1 3BT

Time: 6.45 - 8.25pm

Food: If you are able, we invite you to bring a

contribution to share.

Future events include:

Tuesday December 19th: Sustainable Gift giving An evening to share suggestions on giving sustainable gifts. There will be an opportunity for you to have a go yourself at making sustainable gifts and some of the other things that help to celebrate seasonal and other occasions.

The Transition Cafes are a joint initiative between Liverpool Quakers, Transition Liverpool, Faiths 4 Change and Wirral Environmental Network. For further information or to get involved, please email transitionliverpool@gmail.com



Friends of the Earth's 'United For Warm Homes' campaign has three demands: urgent support with energy bills, insulation in all homes, and an energy system powered by cheap, green renewables.

Leading up to our day of action on 18th
November, Faiths4Change will be making a quilt,
bringing together squares made by participants in
our community groups and partners across
Merseyside, which carry the messages of the
campaign. We would love it if your church/group
could take part - your squares can include
stitching, or just drawings with marker pens on
scraps of fabric, keep it simple if you like! If you
would like to join us in taking action for warm
homes, please get in touch and we will provide
you with details of the day of action, or how you
can get your squares to us ahead of time.

How to make a community quilt

Please contact <u>rachel@faiths4change.org.uk</u> / 07715 087655 to sign up or ask questions.

Worship, Teaching & Learning

Eco Church have a **Prayer Diary** that can be used

Green Christian also holds a wealth of resources and **Worship Materials** that you can use in your teaching & learning. They also have an great series of talks coming up called <u>Joy in Enough</u>

Sign up to the Church of England's Environmental Bulletin <u>here</u>.





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