Laudato Si’ Reflection

We are inspired by Laudato Si’ and the establishment of the Laudato Si’ Platform. We are one human family called to break down the parochial barriers that keep us from telling the story of the human race and of all creation especially those in greatest need. We listen to science and experience what is happening with our environment. We feel a great responsibility to pass on to the children throughout the world what we are so much enjoying.

The earth, its beauty and resources, are not to be seen only as commodities. Being part of the Laudato Si’ Platform calls us to act in seven specific areas; namely, the cry of the Earth, the cry of the poor, ecological economics, adoption of simple lifestyles, ecological education, ecological spirituality and emphasis on community involvement and participatory action by all levels of society.

We are grateful that this opportunity has been provided to us individually, to families, dioceses, schools, universities, hospitals, businesses, farms, religious orders, faith groups, government agencies, and to all people of good will. Uniting with others throughout the world gives us hope. It will take all of us together to make the progress that we are told is needed by the year 2050. Doing our part to care for our common home is critical for us.