



Our Lady of Lourdes  
Thames Ditton



*live simply*

## Why are we looking to Live Simply as a parish community?

- ▶ To respond to Pope Francis' invitation in *Laudato Si'*, to “work with generosity and tenderness in protecting this world which God has entrusted to us”
- ▶ Pope Francis tells us that, “An important part of our faith is to care for creation and to develop respect for other people in the world.”



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## What kind of actions can we take?

- ▶ We can take practical action individually, as a family and as a parish
- ▶ We can worship, pray and reflect
- ▶ We can reach out beyond our community



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In what areas of our lives does Pope Francis invite us to take action?

- ▶ Look to live more simply
- ▶ Find ways to live more sustainably with creation
- ▶ Take action to live in solidarity with the poor



# How can we all get involved?

- ▶ You suggested ideas on the LEAVES
- ▶ We have used your ideas to put together an ACTION PLAN for the whole parish
- ▶ We have sent this Action Plan to Cafod and applied to undertake and gain a CAFOD *livesimply* AWARD



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## What are the next steps?

- ▶ Look out for the Action Plan
- ▶ Become involved in the activities
- ▶ Work, as a parish, towards gaining Cafod's *livesimply* Award