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CARBON NEUTRAL 2030: TAKE THE FIRST STEP AND JOIN THE GREEN TEAM AT YOUR CHURCH!

At the 2022 Diocesan Convention we agreed to determine our churches' carbon footprints and develop plans to be carbon neutral by 2030. I am happy to share that the Commission on the Environment found a resource to help us get started—Interfaith Power and Light.

Step one is to form Green Teams (at least 2 individuals) at each church. Team members will attend two training webinars provided by Sarah Paulos of Interfaith Power and Light. These webinars will teach us what we need to know to get started.

- On March 18 at 1 pm we will learn how to be an effective Green Team.
- On April 29 at 1 pm we will learn how to determine the carbon footprint at our churches.

If you want more information and/or to sign-up for the training, please contact Miriam Casey at EDNCCOE@gmail.com. You may also hear about this from your clergy leaders and members of the Commission on the Environment.

I look forward to hearing from you and partnering with you.

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*God of blessings, the universe sings of your glory.
Deepen our gratitude for all you have made and awaken in us a renewed commitment
to care for the earth and each other.
Excerpt from the COP27 Climate Summit prayer from the EcoJesuits*

*Lord, grant us the wisdom to care for the earth and till it. Help us to act now for the
good of future generations and all your creatures. Help us to become instruments of a
new creation, founded on the covenant of your love. In Jesus' name. Amen
(Xavier University)*