In the beginning...

In 2002, elders Fr Denis Edwards, Trish Hindmarsh, Sr Veronica Lawson, Fr Charles Rue,

Br Frank Richardson and many others began Catholic Earthcare Australia after the Bishops' social justice statement 'A New Earth', released that same year, called for its establishment

In 2022, we celebrate Earthcare's ongoing role in leading Catholic families, schools and parishes in spiritual transformation, ecological dialogue and action to care for our common home.



Mass at St Francis of Assisi, Paddington, NSW in May 2002 to launch Catholic Earthcare Australia. Image courtesy of Fr Charles Rue

An Earthcare Prayer

Help us to love and respect the earth, to repair what we have damaged, to care for what you have made good and holy. Give us the wisdom and the passion to change our minds, our hearts and our ways. Amen.

At Catholic Earthcare Australia, we acknowledge First Nations Peoples and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. Their deep spiritual connection to Country and respect for the natural environment has ensured the preservation of Australian environments for thousands of years.





CELEBRATING 20 YEARS



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A great cultural, spiritual and educational challenge stands before us, and it will demand that we set out on the long path of renewal.

Pope Francis, Laudato Si' n. 202

CATHOLIC EARTHCARE AUSTRALIA

HOME GENERATING DIALOGUE TO CARE FOR OUR COMMON

Col Brown appointed Earthcare Director. Launch at St Francis of Assisi Parish. Paddington, NSW in May

Nathan Simpson creates first Earthcare logo combining cross, branches and spiral

Bishops release statements on Murray Darling Basin and Great Barrier Reef

Bishops release statement on climate change. Paul Lucas designs Earthcare Audit

National **Farthcare** Conference in ACT. 'On Holy Ground' statement for NSW schools released

Jacqui Remond appointed Earthcare Director

Ground' SA released. Animator **Immersion** program begins

'On Holy

'On Holy Ground' QLD released

'Assisi Framework' released

Luke Edwards appointed Earthcare Director

2002 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2003 2022 2012 2013 2014 2016 2018 2020 2019

Earthcare celebrates its 10 year anniversary. 'Pure Gift'

NEENfunded program rolled out across statement Australia, released promoting energy efficiency

Earthcare's Jacqui Remond co-founds Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM) for NGOs

2015 Laudato Si' released. Earthcare 'Tree of Life' launched

New Earthcare logo created and in continued use to present day

2017 joins Caritas

Earthcare Australia

Bernard Holland appointed Earthcare Director

NSW Earthcare Youth Summit takes place. Earthcare NSW Network starts

Earthcare Schools Program piloted. Earthcare VIC / TAS Network starts

Network starts

2021 Sue Martin Earthcare appointed celebrates Earthcare its 20 year Coordinator. anniversary WA Earthcare at a special Youth Summit event in Sandhurst takes place. Earthcare diocese in Parish and Family **Programs** launched. Earthcare QLD

May

