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# MEMO

**To** : THE LOUISIAN COMMUNITY  
**Re** : LAUDATO SI ADVOCACIES  
**Date** : 13 October 2023

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Greetings!

One of our core tenets as an institution is *Missio*, which is the pursuit of a missionary life. Among the concrete ways by which we can trail this creed is by giving life to Pope Francis' encyclical, "*Laudato Si*."

In line with this, Saint Louis University (SLU) will be institutionalizing the following programs to attain the "*Laudato Si*" goals:

## *Furtherance of Green Spaces in Offices:*

Every office shall be adorned by live plants. This will promote environmental sustainability as well as encourage a healthier office environment which is conducive to productivity.

*Laudato Si Goal 1: Response to the Cry of the Earth*

## *Observation of Car-less Day:*

No cars will be allowed entry every last **Wednesday** of the month. This will reduce our carbon footprint and emission. Further, this will advocate the mindful use of vehicles to aid in the mitigation of the effects of air pollution.

*Laudato Si Goal 1: Response to the Cry of the Earth*  
*Laudato Si Goal 2: Response to the Cry of the Poor*  
*Laudato Si Goal 3: Ecological Economics*



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### ***Observation of Earth Hours:***

All lights in the offices must be turned off from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M., and from 12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M. daily. This will reduce energy consumption and will solidify our commitment towards caring for the environment.

*Laudato Si Goal 1: Response to the Cry of the Earth*  
*Laudato Si Goal 3: Ecological Economics*

### ***Promotion of Meatless or Less-Meat Day:***

Every Friday, lunch meals shall be a vegetarian, meatless, or at least, with less-meat diet.

*Students and teachers are also encouraged to avoid fast-food.*

These will advance a healthy lifestyle and positive disposition.

*Laudato Si Goal 4: Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyle*

### ***Imparting of Ecological Trivia:***

A short ecological trivia shall be shared during Flag-Raising Ceremony. This will cultivate snippets of knowledge which can usher big realizations and wisdom about caring for the earth.

*Laudato Si Goal 5: Ecological Education*

### ***Inclusion of Ecological Prayer:***

Pope Francis' ecological prayers shall be included during Flag-Raising Ceremony, Faculty Meeting, and other Gatherings. This will strengthen humanity's connection with the environment.

*Laudato Si Goal 6: Ecological Spirituality*



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### *Virtual Ecological Discussions*

A 3 to 5-minute virtual ecological discussion will be presented every first Friday of the Month through the school's social media network. Each school/ unit will be assigned to give a presentation regarding ecological concerns. This will cultivate a deeper understanding by the Louisian Community of the importance of promoting ecological preservation and protection.

*Laudato Si Goal 7: Community Resilience and Empowerment*

In view of the foregoing, please ensure your consistent participation and compliance with the aforementioned *Laudato Si* projects starting this month of October 2023.

Let us lead a more sound, more informed, and more purposeful life.

Thank you.

  
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President