Pope Francis's Laudate Deum has one of its most important messages directed especially to us living in the United States:

"Considering emissions per person in the US are about 2xs greater than those in China and 7x's greater than those in the poorest countries, then we can state that broad change in lifestyle in the US would have significant long-term (climate) impact."

Pope Francis tells "all people of good will" that due to climate crisis, "the world in which we live is collapsing and may be nearing the breaking point" We have no time to waste and he pleads for action to "move beyond the mentality of appearing to be concerned but not having the courage needed to produce substantial changes."

Taking the "My Laudate Deum Action Pledge" commits us to take concrete action in 3 areas: 1. Our personal and family lives (like composting, eating less meat) 2. Within our church community (like reaching out to our leaders), 3. Advocating for change at national and global levels (like asking for US climate action policies)

Join with other Catholics in the US and take the "My Laudate Deum Action Pledge." Available on our scsjcluster.org website's link. After you take it, share the pledge with family and friends. Together, our US Catholic community can help transform our world!