



Growing the Future Together: St Anthony's Kierans Creek Youth Landcare

A Message to Young People

In 2020, despite the restrictions that COVID-19 brought, we were delighted to see St Anthony's Kierans Creek Youth Landcare get off the ground. We listened to the voices of young people crying out for action to protect Earth, our Common Home. With the support of teachers from Brigidine College, Mater Maria College and St Pius X College, this initiative was an opportunity for young people to engage in a practical activity through which they were able to learn more about caring for a very special place. You will see from the flyer how much has been done by young people and the older adult volunteers working together! The wildlife is flourishing.

St Anthony's is one of three churches in the Frenchs Forest Parish, whose name suggests that we have a close affinity with forests. We are located close to Garigal National Park and to endangered Duffy's Forest plant communities.

Kieran's Creek runs through St Anthony's and is important habitat for small birds such as the yellow robin, reptiles such as the Eastern Water Dragon, and the black swamp wallaby. Surrounding properties in Myoora Rd have been, or are in the process of, becoming alienated from surrounding natural vegetation through continued development.

We would like to continue to offer you hope and a way to take positive action towards healing Earth. Northern Beaches Council also supports our work. In 2021, we were awarded a small grant to stabilise and rehabilitate a 50m section of the north side of Kierans Creek at 46 Myoora Rd, Terrey Hills. As part of the grant, we are having a

Plant With Purpose Day on 24th July, 2022. from 11am to 1pm to weed and plant local Duffys Forest plant species to replace the weeds. This will be followed by a sausage sizzle to which your parents and siblings as well as the parish community are invited.

You might like to look at our Facebook Page to see some of our activities.

<https://www.facebook.com/FaithEcologyNetwork/>

Suitable for Year 9 and above

Training in Bushcare provided.

Tools are provided.

Training in recognition of native plants and wildlife.

Suitable for school Community Service commitments or Duke of Edinburgh programs or just plain caring for biodiversity.

Thank You

The Steering Team, Brian Norman, Anne Lanyon, Kate Ryder, Fran Ingle-Olsen, Dave Ryan.

Please RSVP to either of the numbers on the flyer.