## **Lent Lifestyle Challenge**

How many of these 26 challenges can you do during Lent 2023?

Each Sunday a set of numbered jars will be put out in church. For every challenge you complete, put a bead in the corresponding numbered jar. You can complete a challenge more than once but try to do as many different ones as you can.

- 1. Find a use for something that you were going to throw away
- 2. Use re-useable bags to buy loose fruit and veg in the supermarket
- 3. Pick up some litter (maybe with a community group or some friends)
- 4. Go through your cupboards/freezer and make a meal out of some foods which need to be used up
- 5. Time your shower and try to keep it under 4 minutes
- 6. Start composting
- 7. Darn some socks, or repair an item of clothing
- 8. Walk or cycle to somewhere you would normally drive to
- 9. Use the bus or the train
- 10. Check out the ethical credentials of your bank or building society (don't just look at their website)
- 11. Increase the number of vegetarian or vegan meals you eat by at least one per week
- 12. Recycle your soft plastics at the supermarket
- 13. Start to grow some veg or fruit
- 14. Put up a bird-box (check RSPB guidance about where to put it) or a bird bath or feeder
- 15. Carry out a personal lifestyle audit at <a href="https://creationcare.org.uk/">https://creationcare.org.uk/</a> (households tab)
- 16. Join in with the church gardening group on 7 March or 4 April at 2pm
- 17. Go for a walk in a green space and see how many different wild flowers you can see/identify.

  What to look for: <a href="https://www.plantlife.org.uk/uk/discover-wild-plants-nature/spotter-sheets">https://www.plantlife.org.uk/uk/discover-wild-plants-nature/spotter-sheets</a>
- 18. Check your electricity consumption and think how you could reduce it
- 19. Calculate your carbon footprint www.carbonfootprint.com
- 20. Buy something for the Foodbank
- 21. Buy a new fairtrade product or other ethically sourced product
- 22. Try a new eco cleaning product or refill a washing up liquid bottle with Ecover at church (500ml for £1)
- 23. Walk or cycle to church
- 24. Have a clear-out and donate to a charity shop
- 25. Recycle some electronics old phones, broken laptops etc
- 26. Use a lower temperature on the washing machine or dishwasher

Let's fill as many jars as we can!

