

MY JOURNEY AWAY FROM PLASTIC – WEEK 4 of 4

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“We may well be leaving to coming generations debris, desolation and filth.... The effects of the present imbalance can only be reduced by our decisive action, here and now”. *Pope Francis in Laudato Si, 161*

SDG 12 – Ensure sustainable CONSUMPTION and PRODUCTION practices.



HOW ARE WE DOING? Globally we still have a long way to go - e.g. Ireland is the top producer of plastic waste in Europe, producing 61kg plastic waste per person a year. (*Statistics from Eurostat*).

THE GOOD NEWS: People are more aware and are taking action, but the situation is still critical for Planet Earth! Watch this video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0a8HGJid-Jo>

Drew Dellinger the author and poet, challenges each of us with his timely question in '*hieroglyphic stairway*':

'What did you do while the Planet was plundered?

What did you do once you knew?'

www.youtube.com/watch?v=XW63UUthwSg



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Actions I Could Commit To....

1. Refuse to buy products wrapped in plastic or leave packaging at the till in the shop.
2. Eliminate single-use plastic from your shopping list i.e. bottled water, straws, coffee cups, cutlery, cling film.
3. Join the global Anti-Plastic Campaign by signing the pledge and encouraging family, friends and colleagues to do the same: www.plasticfreepledge.com

Remember to celebrate EARTH DAY this year on 22nd April: <https://www.earthday.org/>