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Daniel P. Scheid is Assistant Professor of Theology at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He received a Ph.D. in Theological Ethics from Boston College, an M.A. in Theology from Catholic Theological Union, and an A.B. in History from Princeton University. A former Fulbright scholar, Dr. Scheid's work focuses on the development of Catholic ecological ethics and on interreligious ecological ethics. He is the author of *The Cosmic Common Good: Religious Grounds for Ecological Ethics*, forthcoming January 2016 by Oxford University Press. Dr. Scheid and his wife live in Pittsburgh with their three children.

## "Caring for Planet Home: The Vision of Laudato Si"



## Respondents



**Dr. Peter Ellard** is a lecturer in Environmental Science, Religious Studies, and FYSM at Siena College. He is the Dean of Student Success at Merrimack College. His scholarship spans a wide breadth of topics including The School of Chartres, Thomas Berry, Pope Benedict, and Climate Change. He is currently teaching on *Laduato Si* and Pope Francis in his Religion and the Environment class at Siena. He was twice named by Siena's Student Senate as Lecturer of the Year and twice named Administrator of the year at Siena College. He is currently working on an article on Pope Francis with the working title: "Mental Gymnastics: The Anti-Anthropocentric Anthropocentrism of Pope Francis."



**Dr. Ryan Patrick McLaughlin** is a visiting assistant professor in the Religious Studies Department at Siena College. He received his Ph.D. in theology from Duquesne University, where his research focused on environmental and animal ethics. He has published a number of articles in the fields of environmental/animal theology, interreligious dialogue, and feminism. He is also the author of two books, *Preservation and Protest: Theological Foundations for an Eco-Eschatological Ethics* and *Christian Theology and the Status of Animals: The Dominant Tradition and Its Alternatives.* Currently, he is working on a third book in which he critically examines the extensive range of Christian proposals regarding the origin and ubiquity of natural disvalues

such as suffering, predation, and extinction. McLaughlin is an associate fellow of the Oxford Centre for Animal Ethics.



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