

THE LIVING CHAPEL

*A project to green the planet, promoting the principles of the UN's 2030 Agenda
and the 'Laudato Sì' Encyclical*



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care for our common home

PROJECT

Inspired by the United Nations **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** and by Pope Francis's landmark environmental encyclical, '*Laudato Si'*', an international team of architects, musicians and artists has designed The Living Chapel, a place of **serene harmony between nature, music, art, architecture and humanity.**

The **Living Chapel** will be:

Entirely covered with evergreen plants and **sapling trees which will be donated** to groups across Italy at the end of the summer as the cornerstones of new **Laudato Si' Gardens.**



Made of **discarded oil barrels** transformed into musical instruments which, thanks to a constant **stream of water drops**, will create a continuous **musical symphony.**

a structure with green walls and sound installations

MISSION

In partnership with the Mountain Partnership at FAO, UN Faith for Earth and the Global Catholic Climate Movement, the **Living Chapel** will join the UNEP's '**One Trillion Tree Movement**' aiming at:



Include all inter-confessional movements that want to take part in the action

Raise public awareness on ecology and brotherhood among people

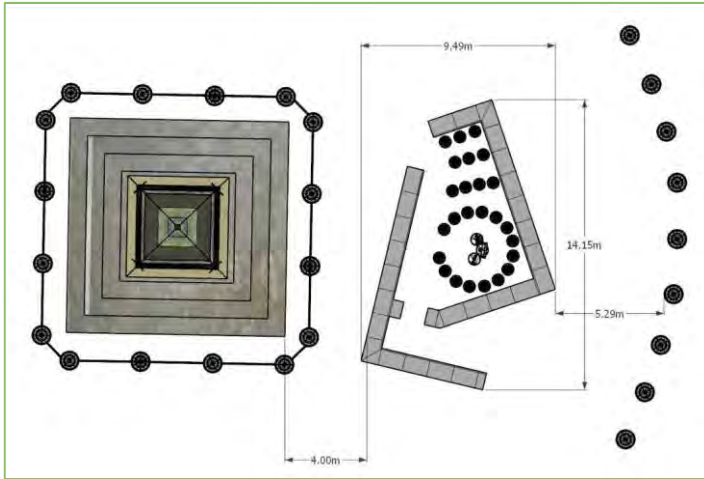


Encourage collaboration to protect and rehabilitate the natural environment through concrete actions

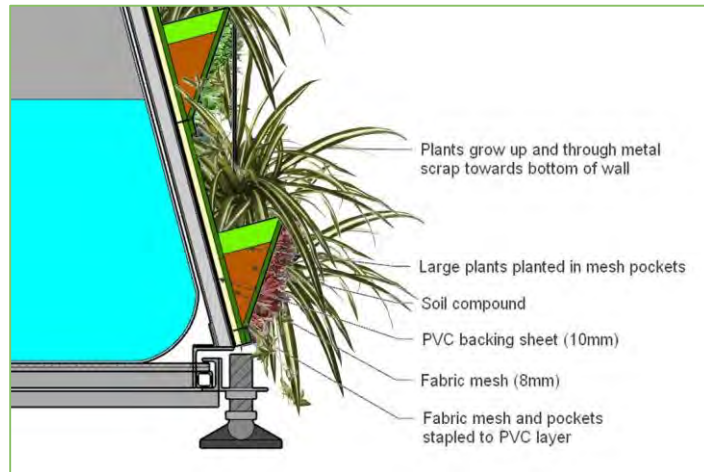
Improve the quality of life through a sustainable action that does not compromise the life of future generations

Our mission is to **unite all faiths** around the common value of **safeguarding our planet** by inspiring, educating and encouraging the world's population to live in harmony with the natural world and take an active part in caring for our **common home**.

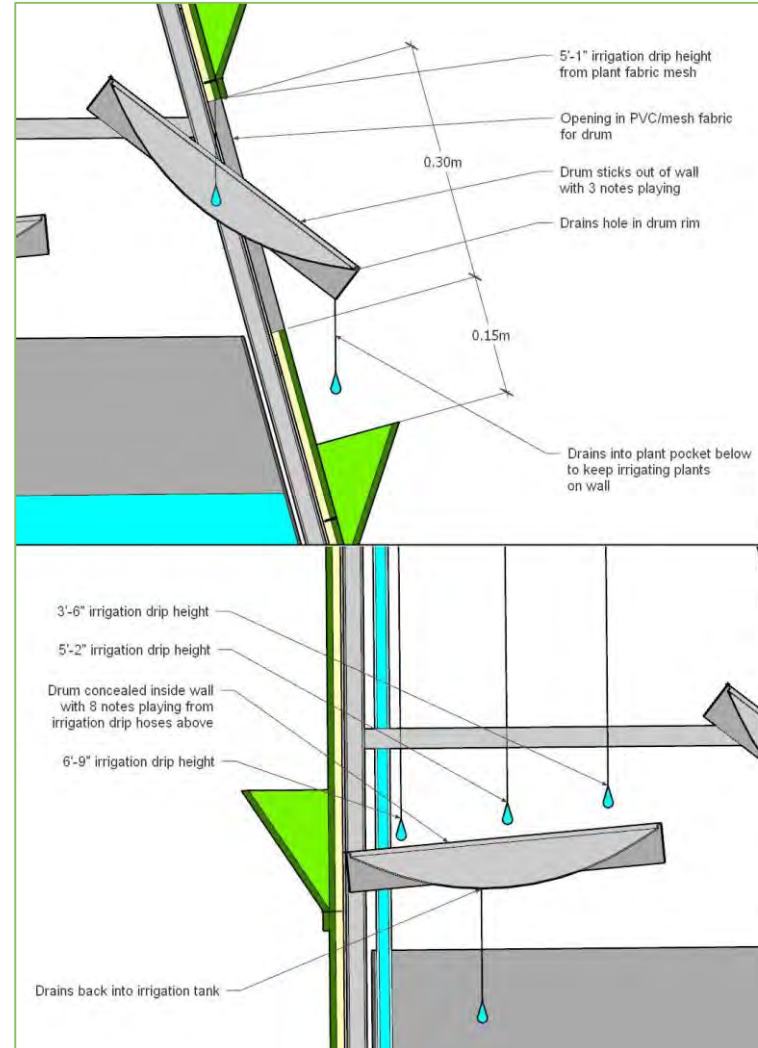
SOME IMAGES OF THE ARCHITECTURAL PROJECT



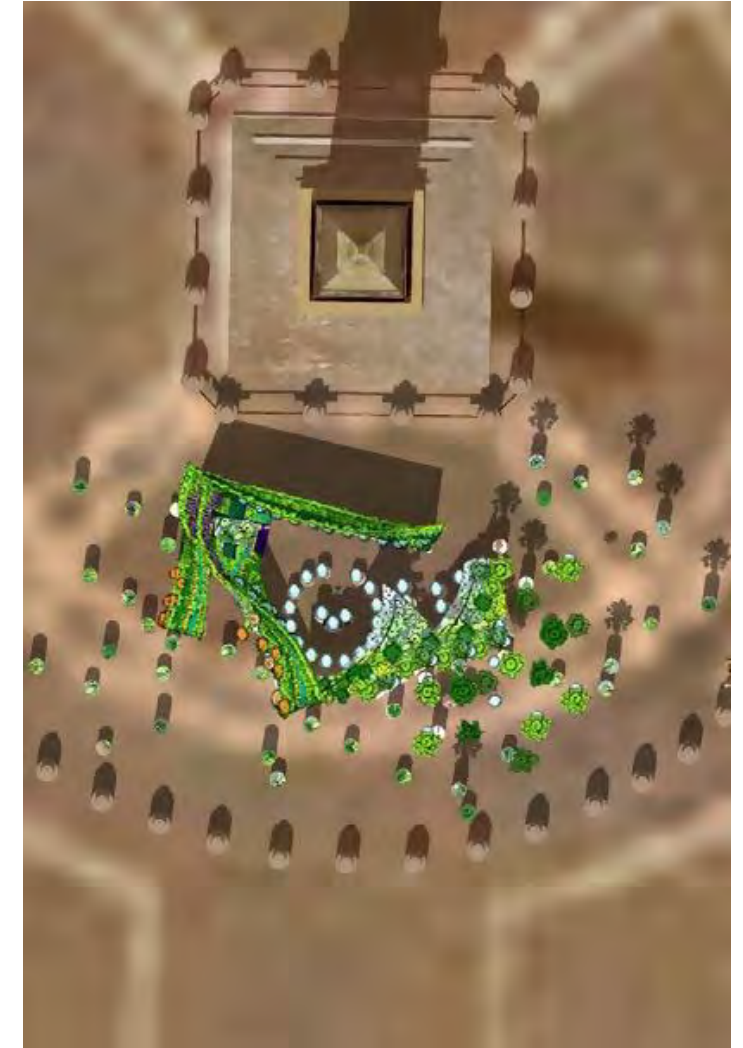
1. Plan



2. Section, architectural detail

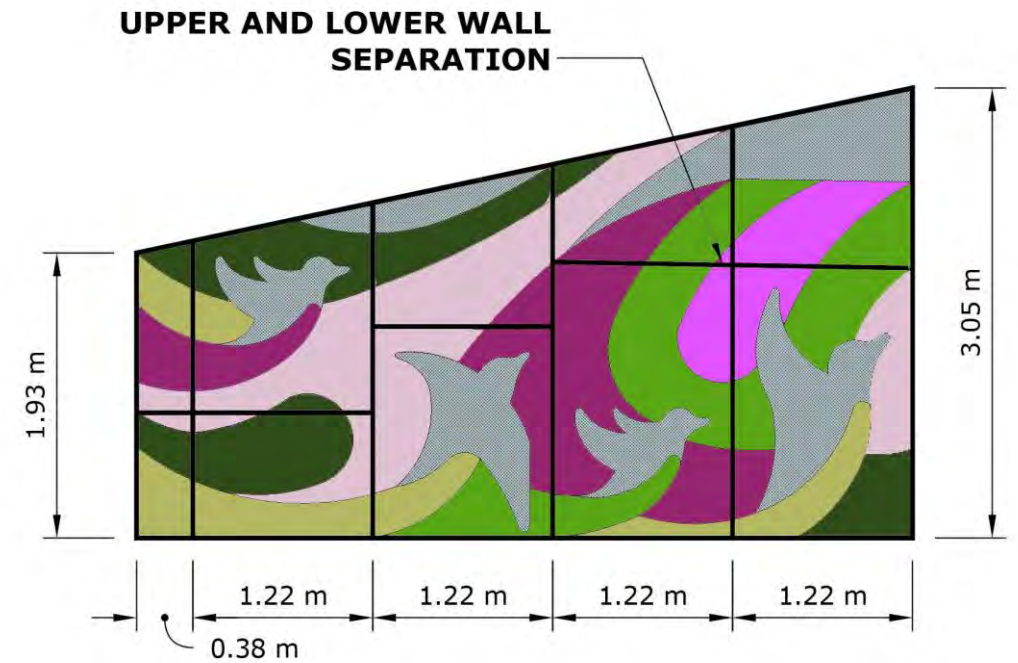
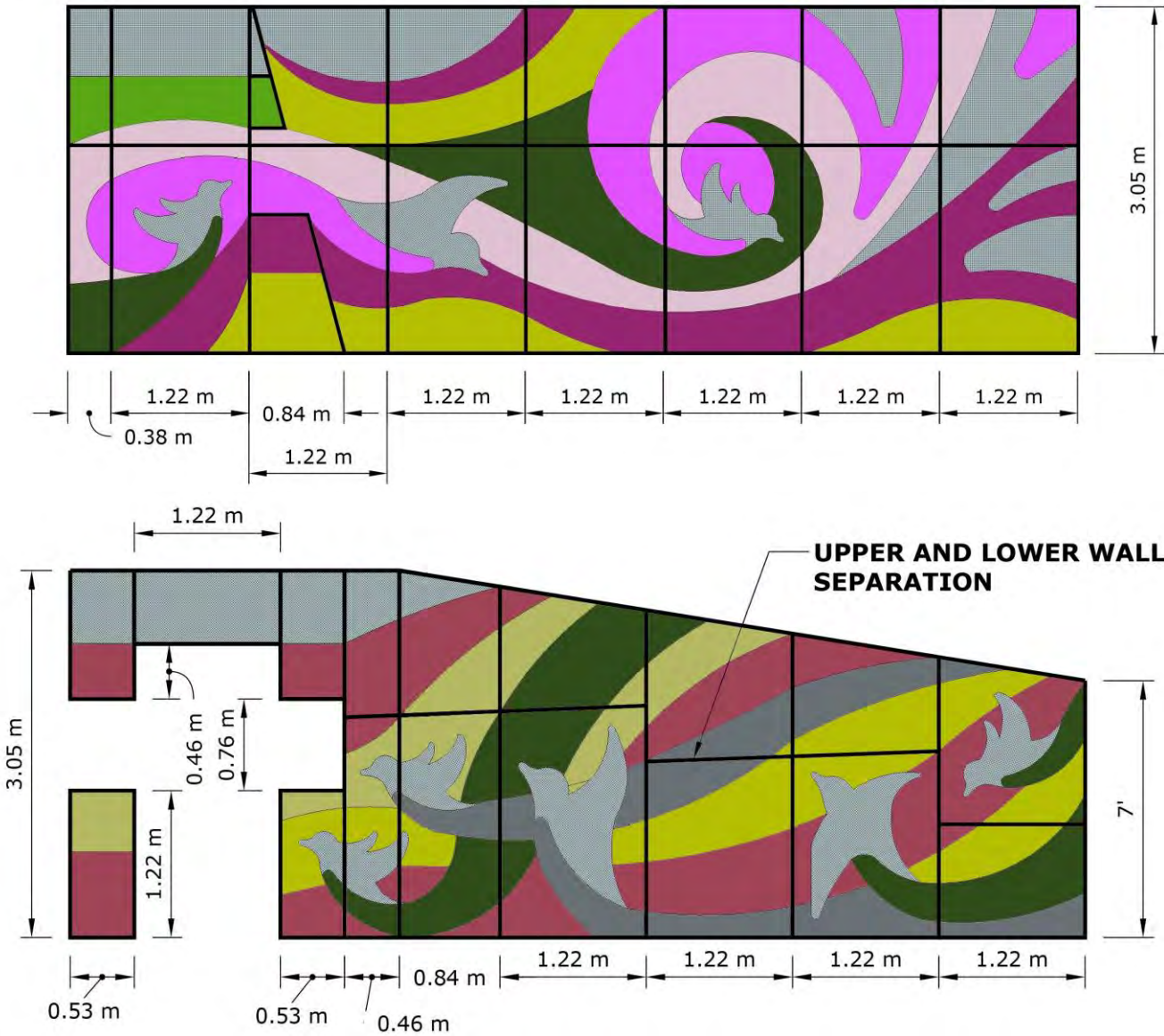


3. Musical elements detail

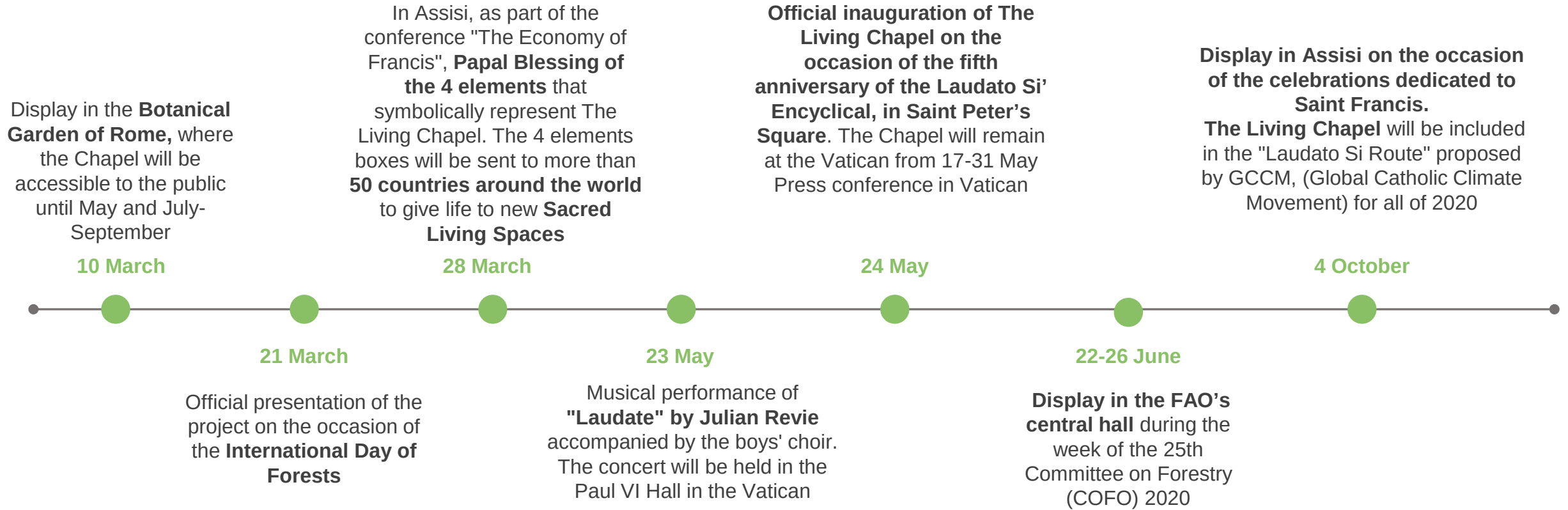


4. Aerial view of the Chapel in Piazza San Pietro

SOME IMAGES OF THE LANDSCAPE PROJECT



2020 AGENDA



PROGRAM

The **Living Chapel** is a vertical garden that will temporarily hold **3,000 young trees**, which at the end of the summer will be donated for the reforestation of green areas and the creation of new gardens.

Urban scale

Donation to schools, churches and youth organizations in Italy to give life to the new **Laudato Si Gardens**



Territorial Scale

Environmental restoration of urban and semi-urban areas in Italy in collaboration with governmental and non-governmental organisations

Simultaneous to the celebrations of the '*Laudato Si*' Encyclical that will take place
May 24th 2020:

The Mountain Partnership Secretariat, hosted at the
**Food and Agriculture
Organization of the United Nations**
will organize planting ceremonies of **Sacred Living
Spaces** in more than 50 member countries

Faith for Earth the UN Environment initiative,
launched in November 2017,
will invite the leaders of more than **30 religions** to
participate in the event

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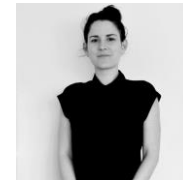
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