The 2018 issue of *The Trumpeter* has been a long time coming. The journal has recently moved to a one issue per year format, and this year’s issue has more contributions than usual. Moreover, the research articles this year all have a special focus on *Laudato Si’*, Pope Francis’ encyclical letter on the environment and the economy. We have six scholars reflecting on and analysing different aspects of the Pope’s contribution to environmental theory and policy, as well as an opinion piece linking the Pope’s encyclical to the deep ecological movement. Beyond that focus on *Laudato Si’*, this issue also showcases the work of four poets and four authors of narrative or creative non-fiction, each of which are stimulating in unique ways. Finally, five different books are carefully reviewed, again on a wide variety of interesting topics. I trust that readers will find this issue of *The Trumpeter* stimulating, challenging, and rewarding.