



Prayers of Intercession

for Creation Time 2012



Prepared by Sister Catherine Brennan SSL and Sister Ann Concannon SSL

Photo: Solar panels on Caloundra Uniting Church, Queensland, Australia
 Photo of wind farm: [Chrishna](#)

Set 1

Creator God, you have generously blessed us with an abundance of gifts in this, your world. Help us to share in that generosity by living in a way that ensures that your gifts will continue to be available for future generations.

O God, give us your love for the whole of Creation

Creator God, we rejoice that, as human beings, we have been created in your image and likeness. But we also recognise that humanity alone cannot adequately reflect you. The whole diversity of the earth is needed to give us even a glimpse of your wonder and greatness. Help us to live in a sustainable way so that this marvellous diversity is respected.

O God, give us your love for the whole of Creation

Creator God, we live in a world where some of us throw out food while others go to bed hungry; where some have the modern amenities of life at their disposal and others struggle to find drinking water. May we learn to share with one another and, in this way, come to share in your generosity to all.

O God, give us your love for the whole of Creation

Creator God, the sun, the wind and the waves are your gifts for the flourishing of the whole community of life on earth. Help us to use them creatively to produce sustainable energy for all.

O God, give us your love for the whole of Creation

Through scientists, engineers and scholars new knowledge comes to light; may new developments in the production of sustainable energy protect our fragile planet and promote the well-being of all peoples and all creatures on their journey to wholeness.

O God, give us your love for the whole of Creation

We pray for the United Nations, for all international, national and local leaders and for managers of companies that they may be guided by your Spirit to make wise decisions about sources of sustainable energy for all.

O God, give us your love for the whole of Creation

Creator God, You have blessed humankind with understanding, imagination and memory. Show us how to learn from past mistakes and plan for the future creatively and responsibly.

O God, give us your love for the whole of Creation

Priest/leader

Let us pray: Create in us a new heart and a new vision, O God, that the gifts of Your Spirit may work in us and renew the face of the earth. May we be one with you so that our work is yours and your work is ours. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who lives with you and with the Holy Spirit for ever.

Amen



Set 2

Creator God, we give thanks for this wonderful earth which we share with the whole community of life. We pray for the awareness that we cannot sustain current aspirations of infinite economic gain on a finite planet. Help us to live in such a way that we respect all life, accepting that we must reduce our demands in order to allow other forms of life to continue and flourish.

O God, hear us we pray

Give us your love for the whole of Creation

In our brokenness we disturb earth's capacity to hold us, so we have climate uncertainty and global injustice. Help us to make a difference today, for life tomorrow.

O God, hear us we pray

Give us your love for the whole of Creation

Creator God, we pray for our brothers and sisters of the earth: animals, birds, fish, plants and insects... May their humility and simplicity inspire us to live according to your will.

O God, hear us we pray

Give us your love for the whole of Creation

Spirit of God, inspire our Church to develop partnerships of action with others to address the pressing issues of our planet.

O God, hear us we pray

Give us your love for the whole of Creation

We pray for visionaries, artists and writers, that through their work we may see Creation afresh.

O God, hear us we pray

Give us your love for the whole of Creation

Creator Spirit, we pray that the Church will re-engage with Your Creation and reaffirm our biblical, theological and spiritual traditions. Lead us to transform our lives and the Church to reflect your glory in Creation.

O God, hear us we pray

Give us your love for the whole of Creation

Spirit of God, You establish the dance of Creation; bring life out of death and order out of chaos. Call us to radical action to care about the whole created world and to share resources more equitably with all life.

O God, hear us we pray

Give us your love for the whole of Creation

Priest/leader

Let us pray: Creator God, we confess that the way we are using fossil fuels and other destructive forms of energy today is destroying the forests, changing the climate, the seas, the soils, the biodiversity and the balance of life on our fragile planet, dispossessing the poor and future generations. Help us to choose life for all that is at risk - for neighbours near and far and for those that come after us. Give us the knowledge to learn what we do not know but long to understand, so that we may honour and nurture all that makes us one with you. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen