Loving God, creator of the Universe, you know every creature and its needs. With trust we offer our prayers in the name of all creation.

1. We give thanks for your many gifts and pray that we may use this Season of Creation as a time to remember, respect, pray and act for the good of all of creation.

Response: Creator God, hear our prayer.

2. We pray for your creation, the whole cosmos including our common home, and the intricate balance in every part of the ecosystems that sustains life on Earth.

Response: Creator God, hear our prayer.

3. We pray that we will continue to listen to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor, especially that of the people of the Pacific Islands who are facing harsh reality of climate change.

Response: Creator God, hear our prayer.

Loving God, bring healing to our lives, that we may protect Earth, our Common Home. May we listen to the sweet voice of Creation as well as to the anguished cries of Earth and the poor.

Touch our hearts that we may we sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts of those who live only for gain at and the expense of the poor and of Creation.

We ask this in the name of Jesus who inspires us and of Brigid of Kildare, Earth Woman. Amen.





Chose Life: now and into the future for Earth and for those made poor

We are in a place not encountered by Brigidines who have gone before us. We are enmeshed in a global world of rapid change, some of it good for humankind and the planet and some not.

Invitation and Call*

We cannot save the planet; we can only save the places we love. We can be part of restoration and regeneration, and need to be attentive to how Earth carries out its own work of regeneration.

The movement towards ecological conversion is framed within the question: "Does this contribute to the regeneration of life?"

Sally Neaves *

Love of Nature can only be authentic in solidarity with indigenous peoples who do not distinguish themselves from planets, animals, river and mountains which inspire their languages, practices, and spirit.

Fatima Measham*

Where are we in the intersection between the cry of Earth and the cry of the poor? If there is an issues with absolute currency and urgency in the world today, it is the ecological crisis and the disproportionate impact of the poor.

Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM*

• Quotes from 2022 Congregational Forum

