

A prayer of gratitude for creation

God of the universe,
We thank You for Your many good gifts —
For the beauty of Creation and its rich and
varied fruits,
For clean water and fresh air,
for food and shelter, animals and plants.

Forgive us for the times we have taken the
earth's resources for granted
And wasted what You have given us.
Transform our hearts and minds
So that we would learn to care and share,
To touch the earth with gentleness and with love,
Respecting all living things.

We pray for all those who suffer as a result of our waste, greed and indifference,
And we pray that the day would come when everyone has enough food and clean water.
Help us to respect the rights of all people and all species
And help us to willingly share your gifts
Today and always. Amen.

— Fiona Murdoch, Eco-Congregation Ireland



A prayer along with creation

Caring God, the earth and we cry out to You

Along with the earth, we ask You to free us from greed, selfishness and indifference

Along with the air, the water, the land and the wind, we ask You to help us get rid of all the
pollution

Along with the forest, birds and animals, give us the strength not to destroy ourselves and the
delicate webs that connect our ecosystems and all life together

Along with those on the edges of society, the unheard, the powerless, the struggling and the
suffering, we ask You for the strength to be just, merciful and compassionate

Along with those in power and positions of authority, we ask for wisdom to be good stewards of
our common home

And finally, along with the whole of creation and peoples, we give You thanks for all the efforts to
restore our sister mother earth

Amen.

— Bishop Allwyn D'Silva, Auxiliary Bishop of Bombay. Mumbai, India.