**PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL**

**SEASON OF CREATION 2023**

*Choose one of the following prayers each week, to add to the Prayer of the Faithful*

*that you have already prepared.*

**Week One**: For people of all Faiths: that they use the Season of Creation as a time to remember, respect, pray and act for the good of all of creation.

Lord hear us.

(03.09.23) For all countries: that they will work together to make the world a healthy and fair place for all - working for justice at local, regional, national and international levels.

 Lord hear us.

**Week Two:** For all people: that they may receive the grace to respect and care for God’s creation.

Lord hear us.

(10.09.23) For the leaders of our nations: that they will hear international organizations who may speak out strongly against the exploitation of the resources so generously offered by Mother Earth.

 Lord hear us.

**Week Three:** For the poor, who are the most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change: that they

may be taken into account by those societies contributing the most to climate change.

Lord hear us.

(17.09.23) For people of all Faiths: that they promote in their own religious traditions, a spirituality and practice that is consistent with a recognition of the goodness of creation, thus contributing to the growth of a world of love, justice, and peace where all living things praise the Creator.

 Lord hear us.

**Week Four:** For those most affected by our ecological crisis: that people may learn to respect creation.

and care for it as a gift of God.

Lord hear us.

(24.09.23) For those in the parish community of……: that we may listen to the cry of the earth and be inspired to act with care for the environment around us and acknowledge that we are only one part of creation.

 Lord hear us.

**Week Five:** For young people: that they may be inspired by the example of Saint Francis to make mature lifestyle choices that are selfless, sustainable and respectful of the fundamental rights of the human person and of every creature.

Lord hear us.

(01.10.23) For all peoples: that we will remember to live in wonder and awe of creation, love the Earth and each other, as You do, and practice gratitude every day.

 Lord hear us.