

**Prayer Vigil for the Earth 30th October and
6th November between 11am and 12.30pm**

United in our concern and love for our precious Earth, let us sit in silence and pray for the success of COP26, for a better and greener world where the poorest people can thrive.

A prayer for our earth Pope Francis, Laudato Si'

All-powerful God,
you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.
Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.
Fill us with peace, that we may live
as brothers and sisters, harming no one.
O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned
and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty,
not pollution and destruction.
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united
with every creature
as we journey towards your infinite light.
We thank you for being with us each day.
Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice,
love and peace.

Hail Mary, Mother of Mercy

Hail Mary, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness
and our hope.
To you, we cry, as children of God, joined as one
with our wounded world, with hearts full of hope for
a home transformed.
Mother of Creation, look upon us we pray, so we
may come to see God's earthly garden through the
radiant light of wisdom.
Holy Mary, Mother of all, make us worthy we pray,
to treasure the earth our common home, and show
us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. Amen.

This prayer is inspired by the Salve Regina
courtesy of CAFOD.

Brentwood Diocesan Prayer

Loving God,
As Father,
You breathed life into creation,
Made human beings - every single person - in your
image and likeness,
And gifted us a common home, to cherish.
You colour in the flowers,
Are attentive to the details in every feather and
every leaf,
And you know us so intimately that you count each
hair on our head.
As Son,
You climbed mountains, so as to open our hearts to
you.
You shared parables about mustard seeds, figs,
vines and fish.
You taught on lakes, and cooked for the disciples
on a beach.
You ate a final and eternal meal of bread and wine,
And when you rose from the dead, you were
mistaken for the gardener.
Now, you travel in the same boat as us, in the midst
of the storm.
As Spirit
You hovered over the waters at the beginning of
time.
You are the Divine breath within us.
You swooped like a dove as the River Jordan
rippled and splashed with the grace of Baptism.
You infuse us with gifts of awe and wonder,
courage and understanding.
You sustain us with the fruits of love, joy and peace.
Teach us afresh Lord
To care for our common home in the way that you
care for us.
Teach us afresh Lord
To see "a trace of your Trinity" in every part of
creation.
Teach us afresh Lord
The precious truth that each person we meet is a
sister or brother of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

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creation, then please contact us. Email:
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"Environment" as the subject header. Thank you.

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