

Prayers of the People, Season of Creation - Sunday, October 4, 2026

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church and in our diocesan cycle of prayer today we especially pray for St. Christopher's, Fairborn;
That we all may be one.

Grant that all your creatures may thank and serve you;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Grant favorable weather, temperate rain, and fruitful seasons,
providing food and drink for all your creatures;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Open our eyes to the joy and beauty of creation,
that we may see your presence in all your works;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Look with favor upon all who care for the earth, the water, and the air,
that the riches of creation may abound for all your creatures;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Make us faithful stewards of creation, wisely caring for the earth,
the air, the seas, and all the life they bear;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Awaken us to our responsibility for the care of creation;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Forgive us our waste and pollution of creation
and strengthen us to heal wounds we have inflicted;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Remember all in captivity and those who are hunted, trapped,
deserted, or abused, that they may find safety in homes of loving care;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.

Do not forget those creatures who have died yet remain dear to us,
that they may rejoice in your new creation;
Shower your blessing on earth, O God.
Give to all the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially...
For Vicky Bratton, Kimberly Colvin, Susan Cooperrider, Dave Kopelcheck,
Eleanor LaMonica, Hunter Maxcey-Richard, Levi Pence, Bridgette Roman,
Virginia Tuttle, and Evelyn Yehsakul, who are celebrating birthdays this week.

For Robert & Sarah Behrens and Cindy & Tom Doan,
who are celebrating anniversaries this week.

Silence (during the silence the people may add their own petitions)

Presider

Holy God: No sparrow falls without your attention; nothing dies that is lost to you; nothing comes into being without your love. Give us just and compassionate hearts, that we may serve the earth and all its creatures, holding fast to the vision of your peaceable reign in which all will live with you eternally; through the Risen One, Christ our Savior. *Amen.*