

Our Earth,

Our Home,

We give thanks.

O God, we thank you for this earth, our home;
For the wide sky and the blessed sun,
For the salt sea and the running water,
For the everlasting hills
and the never-resting winds,
for trees and the common grass underfoot.

We thank you for our senses
by which we hear the songs of birds,
and see the splendour of the summer fields,
and taste of the autumn fruits,
and rejoice in the feel of the snow,
and smell the breath of the spring.

Grant us a heart wide open to all this beauty;
And save our souls from being so blind
that we pass unseeing
when even the common thorn bush
is aflame with your glory,
O God our creator,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen
Anon

*Let us value the great gift of creation and
do our best to conserve it.*

Mary Aikenhead

*The earth is our environment to protect,
and the garden to attend to.*

Pope Francis

