We pray for Pope Francis as he visits COP26 that his call for the care for our common home may illuminate the hearts and minds of all his fellow participants, and that God may grant them wisdom to make decisions which respect the earth and all that live in it.

Lord, in your mercy...

Loving God,

We praise your name with all you have created.

You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures.

We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation.

May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.

Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions

for the poorest and most vulnerable,

and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son.

Amen