

# TIME TO ACT FOR JUSTICE, PEACE & ECOLOGY

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A passion for justice, a desire for peace and a concern for the integrity of God's creation are all essential to the living out of the Gospel. They are not optional extras, but core components of Christian faith.

It's true that if we'd gotten serious about climate change 30 or 40 years ago, we could have made the job much easier for ourselves and avoided much suffering. And every time we miss a new opportunity, it piles up more trouble for the future. But it's never too late to make a difference. It's not too late to stabilise the climate over the coming decades but our nations must get much more serious NOW.

There is hope," Pope Francis says; "we can all collaborate, each with their own culture and experience, each with their own initiatives and abilities, so that our mother Earth returns to its original beauty and creation again shines according to God's plan."



### **PRAYER AND ACTION AT COP26**

5 November, 11am for 24 hours: 24 Hours for the Climate. In Glasgow and online – a vigil to pray for the success of COP26. This live broadcast will be an opportunity to learn from communities suffering from climate change, pray for the future of our common home, and write messages to COP26 negotiators.



### **LAUDATO SI ACTION PLATFORM**

14 November - Launch by the Vatican. This project suggests seven sustainability goals to be achieved within seven years, including adopting renewable energy; adopting simpler lifestyles; fostering ecological education and spirituality; advocating for sustainable development; and ethical investment.



### **WHITE POPPIES FOR REMEMBRANCE**

Many activities around Remembrance Sunday are detached from any meaningful attempt to learn the lessons of war. White poppies challenge the promotion of military values at remembrance time and draw attention to the human cost of war. In this way they reassert the original message of remembrance, 'never again'.

Lord, we praise and thank you for the beauty and goodness of creation around us. Help us to reverence all of creation, respecting the rights of all species, and the integrity of the climate. Help us to hear the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor and, together with all people of good will, work together to find ways of protecting and caring for creation. Rain down your Spirit of wisdom on the COP26 UN Glasgow summit and this crucial work. Amen.

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