

## **Good Friday, April 22, 2011 Is Also Earth Day**

### **LITURGICAL RESOURCES FOR INTERPOLATION INTO THE BAS GOOD FRIDAY RITE**

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#### **A Solemn Intercession**

(to be placed among the intercessions as found in the BAS page 310-311)

Let us pray for God's creation and for the whole web of life.

for those people and creatures who have been betrayed by human greed and faithlessness;  
for nations and communities suffering deluge or drought,  
for species on the brink of extinction,  
for families and those dispossessed of home and land,  
for future generations inheriting the fruits of human neglect and exploitation.

that God, Source of all life,  
will show us anew the miracle of creation,  
proclaimed in our beginnings, and promised in our future.

*Silence*

#### **A Collect**

Oh God, you created the heavens and the earth  
and saw that it was good.  
Give us the eyes to see your goodness  
in all that gives life,  
and give us the will  
to put to death our indifference to your creation,  
that rising with you to new life  
we may participate in the healing and restoration of the earth.

#### **Reproaches**

(to be placed at the beginning of the reproaches as set out in the BAS page 314)

*O my people, O my Church,  
What have I done to you,  
or in what have I offended you?  
Testify against me.*

I created the heavens and the earth and saw that it was good.

I blessed you with the fish of the sea and the birds of the air,  
and gave you everything that has the breath of life.

I created you in my own image and placed you in the garden  
among the entire community of life,  
And I rested on the seventh day.

But you have defied me and desecrated my good creation,  
you have polluted the earth, air, and sea,  
and failed to control the damage you have done.

You have used the gifts of the earth and failed to replenish them.

**Holy God, holy and mighty, holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.**