



A Leaner and Greener Lent

WEEK 3

20th-26th March

Let the land produce vegetation

Read: Genesis 1:9-13

God said, "I command the water under the sky to come together in one place, so there will be dry ground." And that's what happened. God named the dry ground "Land," and he named the water "Ocean." God looked at what he had done and saw that it was good. God said, "I command the earth to produce all kinds of plants, including fruit trees and grain." And that's what happened. The earth produced all kinds of vegetation. God looked at what he had done, and it was good. Evening came and then morning—that was the third day.

Reflect:

God loves to bless; God who delights in growth and richness, wants his creatures to live in fullness of life.

The use of the word 'trespass' in the Lord's Prayer is always worth pondering on. Often the term is used in the context of people straying across someone else's land with associated trampling of crops and general mess left behind. Sometimes it seems that humanity has wandered with size 10 boots all over the beauty of the world creating mayhem and leaving destruction.

Humanity is called to be the image of God in the world; like God bringing life and flourishing instead of trampling footprints all over it, leaving it damaged.

What action will you take?

Connect with Creation. Take a walk and spend time watching for wildlife, listening to the skies, looking at what is growing.

Consider planting pollinators in the garden. Find out what native species are at risk locally and look to grow these.