**Prayer of the Faithful – some suggestions**

For urgent action at both an individual and government level to mitigate the effects of climate change in the Pacific, that our ears are opened to hear the cry of the earth as climate change ignites catastrophic typhoons, heatwaves, droughts and flooding that affects all the countries of Oceania. We pray to the Lord.

For help and support for the people of the Pacific Islands who are suffering the effects of climate change and pollution not of their own making, that the wealthy nations of the Earth provide relief and sustenance to the Island nations of Oceania who are disproportionately suffering from the misuse of our planet’s resources. We pray to the Lord.

For our eyes to be opened to the issues of systemic poverty in our region, that we heed Pope Francis’ call for an integral ecology which understands that exploitation of both people and resources are the fundamental cause of the ecological crisis we are facing. We pray to the Lord.

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