One or two of these prayers could be used each week with the Prayers of the Faithful.

For the Church in the world
Let us pray for the Church. That her work may not only remind everyone of the duty to care for nature, but above all to protect humankind from self-destruction. (LS 79)

We Pray to the Lord.

For our world leaders
Let us pray for all leaders and public authorities whose decisions touch the life of our planet. May they overcome the mindset of short-term results and have the courage to attest to their God-given dignity and leave behind a testimony of selfless responsibility. (LS 181)

We Pray to the Lord.

For the suffering of our Common Home
Let us pray for the suffering of our Common Home who cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. May we heed her cries and remember that we ourselves are dust of the Earth; our very bodies made up of her elements and that we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters. (LS 2)

We Pray to the Lord.

For those affected by climate change
Let us pray for the poor who have no other financial activities or resources which can enable them to adapt to climate change or to face natural disasters, and whose access to social services and protection is very limited. May we recognize that the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor are one and respond to their needs with loving care. (LS 25)

We Pray to the Lord.

For those without access to water
Let us pray for the poor without access to clean water. Unsafe water results in many deaths and the spread of water-related diseases, including those caused by microorganisms and chemical substances. May we work tirelessly for a world where no one is denied this basic and universal human right. (LS 29)

We Pray to the Lord.

For all partners of Development and Peace
Let us pray for all the women and men of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East who work courageously to overcome those forces which create poverty in their communities and their countries. May our support of their efforts through Development and Peace invite us to develop a spirituality of the global solidarity that flows from the mystery of the Trinity. (LS 240)

We Pray to the Lord.

For our local community
Let us pray for all members of our community. May we respond to the invitation of our Holy Father to Care for our Common Home. May we learn to ask without demanding, to say “thank you” as an expression of genuine gratitude for what we have been given, to control our aggressiveness and greed, and to ask forgiveness when we have caused harm. By these simple gestures of heartfelt courtesy may we help to create a culture of shared life and respect for our surroundings. (LS 213)

We Pray to the Lord.