



Blessed Miriam Teresa's Love of God's Creation

Leader: Opening Prayer

God of all creation, your goodness and glory shine forth through everything you have made. Through the light of faith, help us to see this world, our common home, as a gift to be cherished by all generations. Like Blessed Miriam Teresa, who recognized your presence in every aspect of the beauties of the natural world, may we too be moved to reverence, wonder, and care for all that surrounds us.

Psalm 104: 24-31

All: The earth is filled with the glory of God!

- I. How varied are your works, Lord! In wisdom you have made them all, the earth is full of your creatures.
- II. There is the sea, great and wide! It teems with countless beings, living things both large and small.
- I. All people look to you as you give them food in due time. When you give it to them, they gather; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
- II. When you hide your face, they are dismayed but when you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth
- I. The glory of the Lord endures forever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

All: Glory to you, Source of All Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

Two thoughts from Blessed Miriam Teresa:

Reading 1:

The beauties of the natural world were especially nourishing to the life of Blessed Miriam Teresa. She wrote:

*“What miracles are wrought before our eyes!
What mysteries of nature do we see
In each unfolding tree!
And Hour by hour
A smiling, living earth...invokes Divinity”.*

All:

Loving God, in this prayer recalling the spirit of **Blessed Miriam Teresa**, we thank You for the wonders You place before us each day. Open our eyes—like hers—to recognize the miracles unfolding quietly around us: in every leaf that unfurls, in every breeze that stirs the branches, in every hour that the earth smiles with the life You sustain.

Reading 2:

Written to her friend Marg, May 1925, prior to receiving the Habit of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth. Blessed Miriam wrote:

“Easter at Convent is more wonderful than even you could imagine. Yesterday was simply indescribable from every conceivable viewpoint.”

All:

Blessed Miriam Teresa taught us to see Your presence in the mystery and majesty of Creation.

May her example deepen our reverence for the world You have made and entrusted to our care.

Grant us hearts attuned to Your beauty, minds awake to Your truth, and spirits ready to invoke Your Divinity in all the living things that surround us.

Closing Prayer:

May the harmony of nature remind us of Your constant love, and may Blessed Miriam Teresa’s gentle vision guide us to walk with humility, wonder, and gratitude. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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