



# Support those affected by bushfires

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## PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY BUSHFIRE AND DROUGHT:

Eternal God,  
In wisdom and love  
you created our earth  
to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now  
in faith, hope and love,  
asking you to look with favour  
on our fire-ravaged and drought-stricken land,  
on our starving and  
displaced animals,  
on our failing crops and burning  
farms, towns and forests.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart  
to our farmers  
and to all who are affected by drought;  
be with those who support them.

Strengthen and comfort the victims of the fires,  
those who have lost family, friends, property and stock.  
Protect our volunteer firefighters and all members of essential services.

In your loving providence,  
send abundant rain to quench the fires  
and to restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion,  
hear our prayer  
through Jesus Christ your Son,  
in whom the promise of new life  
has dawned, and  
through the power  
of the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord the giver of life:  
Renew your faithful people;  
Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross,  
Mary, help of Christians –  
Pray for us.  
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop –  
Pray for us.