A Prayer for the
COP24 Climate Summit
(Katowice, 3-14 December)
As St. John Paul II said in 1990, “The ‘greenhouse effect’ [climate change] has now reached crisis proportions as a consequence of industrial growth, massive urban concentrations and vastly increased energy needs. Industrial waste, the burning of fossil fuels, unrestricted deforestation... are known to harm the atmosphere and environment... I wish to repeat that the ecological crisis is a moral issue.”

Leader: Let us pray as Pope Francis taught us in Laudato Si’:

Assembly: Creator God, please guide us. Help us act in love and courage To honor You, O Creator, And to fulfill our role as protectors of The Earth, our common home.

The poor and the earth are crying out. O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty.

Amen.