Reflection Monday Week 14 – 2021

We have repeated a few times: *My God in whom I trust!* But, is that true? Do you really trust in God? Easy to say and you may well believe it, but the proof of the pudding is in the eating. When events conspire against you, situations turn sour, bad luck and unfortunate accidents not of your causing happen, do you still really trust in God? Jacob appears to place his trust in God, but it is only dependent on God doing for him what he wants. Is your trust like that? If so, it is not a true trust. In the Gospel, the Official and the woman with the haemorrhage both placed their trust in God because they had nowhere else to turn. Their faith and trust were answered with a love that only Jesus could give. Their trust was rewarded. Yet, true trust is one that we continue to maintain even when it appears that our requests are not answered in the way we asked or expected. Yet, given time, we will realise they were answered in the most unexpected and rewarding of ways.

God placed the welfare and health of the planet in our hands, trusting us not just to fulfil our responsibility of caring and nurturing it but to do this with reverence, respect and gratitude. Although we have failed dramatically in our responsibility, God still trusts us to reverse climate change for the better. Don't let God down again!!!

Wisdom to Care for the Earth.

Lord, grant us the wisdom to care for the earth and till it.

Help us to act now for the good of future generations and all your creatures.

Help us to become instruments of a new creation,

founded on the covenant of your love. (The Cry of the Earth)