

## Reflection Tuesday Week 13 – 2023

Natural calamities and disasters were once laid at the feet of God and seen as a punishment for wrong-doing, as we heard in the first reading. Today it is not so easy to blame God for these disasters but many, if not all, are a consequence of our pillaging and abusing the earth on which we live. We are the cause of modern-day natural disasters which will only increase. As we continue to destroy our planet, we are slowly throttling the life out of ourselves.

*God's creation is a symphony divine,*  
a masterpiece of nature that's so sublime,  
a balance of elements, in perfect harmony,  
a sustainable system, that's designed so carefully.

The sun shines bright, a source of life,  
its warmth and light, cutting through strife,  
it brings the energy, that powers the earth,  
a system of sustainability, of infinite worth.

The rain pours down, a life-giving flow,  
from the clouds above, to the lands below,  
it brings nourishment, to the plants and the trees,  
a sustainable cycle, that never fails to please.

The trees stand tall, a symbol of strength,  
they purify the air, with each breath they take,  
they provide a home, for creatures so small,  
a sustainable habitat, for one and for all.

The oceans vast, a world within,  
a source of wonder, that's never been seen,  
it brings life to the creatures that swim,  
a sustainable cycle, that's always been.

The animals roam, across the land,  
they are part of nature's sustainable plan,  
from the tiniest ant, to the mightiest lion,  
each one has a purpose, in God's creation.

God's creation is a symphony divine,  
a masterpiece of nature, that's so sublime,  
a sustainable system, that's designed so well,  
a testament to His love, and the stories it tells.

May we live in harmony, with God's creation,  
may we nurture and care, for its preservation,  
for every part, of this wonderful world,  
is a precious gift, from our Lord.

**John is a huge Mozart fanatic.** He's listened to every one of his many compositions, learnt how they were composed, and the thinking behind their creation. All that John wanted now was to visit Mozart's tomb.

John travels to Austria and visits his tomb. While there, Mozart rises from his tomb. John, however, notices that buried with Mozart is this long-lost Mozart symphony!! John approaches Mozart attempting to retrieve it but, just as he approaches, Mozart begins ripping up the papers. John yells "Mozart! What are you doing!?" Mozart replies "I'm decomposing"