Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 103(104):1,24,29-31,34

SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT, O LORD, AND RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH.

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches.

The Great Fifty Days of Eastertime closes with an acclamation of the greatness of God We can stand back in wonder and praise at the glory of God in creation

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth.
We celebrate the gift of the Spirit acknowledging how dependent we are on the lifegiving Soirit We can rejoice that the Spirit has been and is constantly at work to bring us new life

May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord.

While we leave Easter we are conscious of our need to praise God constantly It is also the chance for a quiet moment to renew our personal commitment to God's service