

Thought for the Day – Tuesday 18th May 2021

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Apparently this month (April 2021) we have had very little rain.

Here is a meditation on Rain

As the raindrops drum against the windowpane
and drill on the tiles,
we give thanks for precipitation falling as drizzle
or in storms
to water the earth,
feeding and freshening by day and by night.

We pray for all who live in dry
and drought-affected places;
for people living with dust and desiccation.

We pray for those who are deluged;
we think of those who are constantly damp.
We pray for those in danger of flood or coping with its aftermath.
We pray for those living with the difficulty of frozen water,
burst pipes,
slippery paths, broken gutters.

We pray for good wetting, watery rain wherever it is needed
by humankind.

And we pray for the gratitude that informs our
attitude and makes us good stewards of your life-giving
earth shaping,
planet-defining,
indispensable gift of water.

We thank you for this day of rain
let its rhythm help our alleluia to dance.

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There is a lot to think of her from climate change to twinning loos.

But let's thank God.

And for John

Amen

Amen:

I have never started a prayer with that word before.

Yet it is right.

Amen:

This one-word sentence says enough.

Amen:

Acceptance. Gratitude. Joy perhaps.

Amen:

Pause for breath. Look up. Take another step.

Amen:

Desire expressed. Longing left. Hands open.

Amen:

Request for answer. End of me. Over to you.

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This was the last barefoot prayer.

What would you pray?