All good and all loving God, we come to you today in the face of horrific tragedy. We know that no evil comes from you, and so we call out to you as we pray for those affected by recent earthquakes.

We ask that you draw close to those who are injured and grant them healing. Comfort those families who have lost loved ones and bring them consolation.

Bless and protect those responding to this tragedy and guide their efforts. Inspire local and national leaders, that they may offer support in the long recovery ahead. And in each of us, Lord, inspire compassionate and loving action for our human family.

Above all, as your Body, guide us to a world without suffering, pain or despair; a world of full and everlasting life.

Amen.