

A Christmas Message from The Clergy to all parishioners

Dear Loving Friends,

Christmas is the season for the family. It is the time of the year when all the members of the family need to be together to celebrate Christmas, the Birth of Jesus. In our Parish we pray together as one big family, and as we celebrate the birth of Jesus this Christmas, we are called to become truly present to each other as members of this one family. As we reflect back over this year, after the long COVID difficulties, we are deeply grateful to Jesus for all the blessings received in many ways, especially through Liturgical Services, Charitable and Voluntary activities. Above all, our unity and the familial nature of our parish are the greatest blessings of God that we have received. We can all call one another sisters, brothers and friends because of your presence, dedication and hard work. I thank you each and every one from the bottom of my heart for your continued presence and support of our parish. Amid all the many difficulties in our life and our time, hope prevails, "for to us a child born" (Is 9:6). We pray for you all in the Holy Eucharist. Lord Jesus, who was born in Bethlehem, come and bless us and all who are in need of your love and hope. We wish you a joy and hope- filled Blessed Christmas and a Blessed New Year. We can live each day in 2023 grateful for our belief that "Nothing is Impossible with God".

A BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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