



My dear brothers and sisters of Christ the Redeemer Parish

“Christ is born to us; let us rejoice in the day of our salvation!”

We know that Christmas is a time of love, joy, hope and peace; it’s a time for the warmest Christmas wishes to friends and family. Wishing you and your family health, happiness, peace, and prosperity during this Christmas and in the coming New Year.

Christmas is the celebration of the birth of baby Jesus who demands space in our hearts. Let us take utmost care that during this Christmas, Jesus, the tiny and tender babe not get drowned in the flow of cakes and sweets, buried in the immense joy of partying; rather let us make sure that Jesus, the precious and beautiful infant is held close to the heart, showered with true smiles of our love for Him, for His words, love for His Eucharist and Church. During this Christmas let us look upon the child Jesus. Let us receive his smile, the smile of God. Let us allow ourselves to smile back, let us spread the smile of Baby Jesus to the whole world. That is really what the world needs today.

Always remember that Jesus is, and He alone is and ought to be the reason for our Christmas celebration. May He be born in our hearts and lives. I hope your Christmas is filled with joy this year I pray that “may the true spirit of the Christmas shine in your hearts and light your path”

During this Christmas let us try to learn the real poverty of the Child in the manger. Let us try to learn the humility of our God, who becomes a servant, born in a manger. He came to this world for the love of us, to save us from hell; to reconcile us with himself and to open up for us the gates of the Kingdom of Heaven. “Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.” let’s recognize him to be our God and Savior.

As we are preparing to celebrate Christmas, another year has passed with many events, public and private, touching our lives in different ways. No doubt this year has brought joys and sadness in different measure to each person, all colouring our memories of 2021.

Christmas is a time of peace hope and joy, a time to celebrate with family, with friends and loved ones. I hope that this Christmas will bring something of that peace, joy, and hope to your lives. Such joyful celebrations may not be possible for some. Some may be overburdened by worries, family problems or for many other reasons. If you are, I want to assure you that, as a parish community, we do care and offer you, our support.

As we are entering to a new year, I think it’s a time to thank each and every one of you for your wonderful support to this parish. Many people have been involved in bringing about lots of initiatives. I thank all the parishioners who have given generously of their time and talents in making this parish such an energetic, faith-filled community, even amidst this Covid-19 situation.

Maybe the Christmas message this year is a challenge for all of us to become more involved. It is not so much a question of giving more; it is a question of giving more of ourselves. After all, that’s what God was doing when he got involved with us and our world at the first Christmas.

Christmas belongs to everyone, but it finds meaning only to believers, to those who believe that Jesus Christ, Son of God, was born of the Virgin Mary to reconcile us to one another and to the Father. God will fill us with his peace if there is room in our lives for him.

May you be blessed with peace and joy at Christmas and in the New Year.

God Bless all

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