

Merry Christmas!!! *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ... And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth."* (John 1:1, 14)

I am truly looking forward to celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus with you. Christmas is always a time of such great joy, wonderment, festivity, good cheer and excitement.

It's an amazing thing – God Himself came to dwell among us as our brother, our wonder counselor, our redeemer and our savior. We gather together to celebrate the mystery, wonder and beauty of the Incarnation, namely, that the Lord of Lords, the King of Kings, the Son of God, entered into our human condition and became like us in every way except sin. St. Luke shows us the Glory of God.

"The angel said to them [shepherds], "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

My hope for you and your family is that Christmas brings you great joy, peace, wonder and excitement. On behalf of our entire parish staff, I wish you an abundance of blessings and peace as we celebrate the coming of our Lord. With every best wish and prayer,

Fr. John Klein, Pastor