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In this holy season,
may the newborn Christ
bless your home with peace
and accompany you
throughout the coming year.



The Nativity of the Lord December 25th, 2025

Dear Parishioners,

Throughout the whole of Sacred Scripture, it has been shown that at some point God would come to dwell among us. As God entered our world on that first Christmas, his desire was to show that he deeply cares for his creation.

As we hear the Christmas story of the birth of the Christ, we open ourselves to something new. Though it is an event that we know off by heart, we don't live in the past. We live in the present and we have a responsibility to share our story with those we will meet now and in the future. At this time of our local history the celebration of our Archdiocese's 200th anniversary is a good time for us to reflect and act upon our calling as the people of God. Archbishop Mulhall has chosen as our motto which is found in St. Paul's letter to the Philippians (3:10), "to know Christ and the power of the resurrection".

Our faith is not something that we take in and out of a cupboard. Rather, we put it into action just as God has put into action his promise to dwell among us. He came as promised and has not left. Through Christ he continually walks with us. So, let us get to know him better and to always be lifted up. This is what we celebrate at Christmas and every day. "Today is born our Saviour, Christ, the Lord!".

Merry Christmas! May God bless you and your families and everyone you encounter and in everything you do by revealing his love.

Fr. Sebastian Amato

