

Christmas 2021

My Dear Friends.

We are living in the most troubling and uncertain of times. Covid 19 continues to inflict harm and in sadly many cases death to all parts of the world. There are growing tensions between nation states the climate is troubled and less predictable than we have been used to. Christianity is under sustained assault from an increasingly hostile secular society and organisations such as the EU.

However, there is HOPE, for as it is written in Psalm 96, “let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad before the Lord, for he is come.”

Today is the day we are reminded of the meeting of Heaven and Earth, for God and man are met together in Bethlehem. God the Son came down from heaven and was made man. (In the beginning was the Word, and the Word became flesh and dwelt amongst us). From all eternity He was God, receiving His divine life and nature from God. From God the Father (born of a woman). The final act of God’s age long preparation for the Incarnation (a word that means being made flesh) was that he made a choice of a woman, from whom His son should take His human nature and be born.

That woman was the Blessed Virgin Mary during which for nine months her unborn child was being formed of her substance. The Divine Saviour was born at Bethlehem, thus “The Word was made flesh and dwelt amongst us, and we beheld His glory.”

To this troubled and vexed world indeed to all mankind He brings, Hope, Peace and Goodwill to the whole of Humanity. The Glory of the Lord is roundabout us His light fills our hearts with Joy and Gladness and our Faith is indeed placed in Him as our Blessed Lord and Saviour.

The world needs to reconnect with its maker and turn again to Christ in His Glory.

He brings HOPE whereas our political leaders bring uncertainty and chaos.

Imagine, the heavenly host of Angels singing “Glory be to God on high and on earth peace to all men.”

It is so reassuring to know that the Christ Child – God Manifest in the Flesh: Jesus Emmanuel - GOD IS WITH US.”

May the God of Peace, Love and HOPE guide and protect you.

I wish you all a Holy and Blessed Christmas and a Joyous New Year.

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