



Very dear Friends of the Monastery, the Children and the Young-with-us,  
Blessed Nativity!

... every year, we observe the same Christmas rituals that renew us deep within ...

Let us not lose it, let us not forget to celebrate the feast at home and in Church.

The birth of the Child God as One of us is enough reason to be united as families, communities,  
churches and nations.

It is the reason why we give gifts, feast on special food, decorate with festive ornaments,  
and listen to beautiful songs and carols.

It is enough reason to be joyful and hopeful for the gifts we will give and will receive.

The birth of the Child God in our midst is the best birthday of the year.

It is the most celebrated, savored, delightful and most enjoyed. It brings out what is best in us. It refines  
our character, makes us happier, generous and grateful.

After XXI centuries of celebrating and receiving the grace of this Feast,  
let our celebration be a continuous Feast!

Let nothing and nobody, old or new ideas, rational or philosophical, political or existential, let nothing  
restrain our celebrations and the grace of His Feast.

We honor the Birthday Celebrant and He gives us gifts in abundance. Let us receive His gifts with joy  
and gratitude, the Gift of Himself in our midst, in our personal lives,  
in our hearts, in our minds and in our beings filled with joy and with peace!

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