

THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY

Tuesday, 25th December 2018

As we rejoice and celebrate this wonderful season of Christmas, let us not forget to thank baby Jesus for coming into our lives. Let us together prepare ourselves to welcome him into the homes of our hearts. May the blessings of Christ be upon you and your loved ones throughout this season and into the New Year.



From our Carmelite family to yours – Merry Christmas and our very best wishes for 2019.

Fr. Michael Spain

“Christmas is joy, religious joy, an inner joy of light and peace.”

Pope Francis

“God created all things with remarkable ease and brevity, and in them He left some trace of who He is, not only in giving all things being from nothing, but even by endowing them with innumerable graces and qualities, making them beautiful in a wonderful order and unfailing dependence on one another. All this He did through His own Wisdom, the Word, His only begotten Son by whom He created them.

God looked at all things He made, and they were very good. {Gen 1:31}
To look and behold that they were very good was to make them very good in the Word, his Son.

Not only by looking at them did He communicate natural being and graces, but also, with this image of His Son alone, he clothed them in beauty by imparting to them supernatural being. This He did when He took on our human nature and elevated it in the beauty of God, and consequently all creatures, since in human nature He was united with them all. And in this elevation of all things through the Incarnation of his Son and through the glory of his Resurrection, not only did the Father beautify creatures partially, but we can say, He clothed them entirely in beauty and dignity.”

St John of the Cross

Spiritual Canticle; Stanza five