



Born the King of Angels!

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Most of us have asked ourselves questions which start with, What if.... Simple questions like, What if it snows tomorrow? or life-changing questions such as, What if I become unemployed?. Have we ever asked the question, What if there were no Christmas? Hard to imagine!

Asking this question, however, might help us understand the “miracle” that Christmas is. Through Jesus’ coming into the world over two thousand years ago, we know God the Father’s great love for us, his children, and we have been given the capacity to love God in return, to love ourselves and to love one another. Isn’t this gift a cause for great celebration, celebration not only at Christmas but at every moment of our lives?

Imagine the day when every person will join this celebration of love – everyone will know the love of God, and each person will love God in return and will love others, without exception. This is what is coming, for Jesus’ prayer to the Father will be answered, “that they may be one, even as we are one”. (*John 17:11*)

As we await this moment, we try our best to spread the love of Christmas. In our parish community, we witness this love in those attending Mass, participating in the other sacraments, visiting the Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration, those who pray, those who offer support whether in their time in ministry, in parish groups or activities, or financially. Each of you has contributed to the spirit of love making St. John Fisher Parish a truly Christian community. Your contribution, in whatever form, is sincerely appreciated and I thank you as we continue our faith journey together.

May the miracle of Christmas bring you, and your loved ones, joy and hope as you celebrate the birth of Jesus, and always. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

FR. Thomas Delorme