

Christmas 2021

*“But Mary kept in mind
all these things, pondering
them in her heart.”*

*“Maria autem conservabat omnia verba haec,
conferens in corde suo.”*

(Luke 2:19)



Dear Friends of the Fraternity,

Even for those of us who strive to practice our Catholic Faith with fervor, there's a danger of allowing Christmas to become routine. The season can sometimes pass without making a significant impact on us. We'll assist at the Liturgies, sing the carols, attend the family gatherings, and eat the feasts but emerge into a new year unchanged.

The birth of Our Savior—and indeed, each of the mysteries of our faith—must remain for us ever new, ever relevant. We ought not to let even a single milestone of the liturgical year become a routine custom. By doing so, we would be showing ingratitude for the tremendous gift of faith God has given us.

When it comes to recollection, Our Lady sets the ideal example. As she was bringing forth Our Lord and hearing what the shepherds were saying about her Child, she may not have understood everything perfectly. But she pondered all these things in her heart, trusting that God would enlighten her in His time, as He saw fit. So may this Christmas have a deep and lasting meaning for all of us who take the time to welcome our Infant King!

Pondering the mystery of Our Lord's Incarnation, our priests will celebrate a Novena of Masses from December 17-25. They will offer these nine Masses for benefactors like you, your family, and your friends.

To enroll your loved ones, please use the enclosed form or enroll online at fssp.com/christmas-card-novena. You can also send them the beautiful Christmas Cards we've provided to let them know they will be remembered in the Masses—and to remind them to ponder the true meaning of this season. If you'd like more cards, please use the enclosed reply form by November 26th or request them online by December 1st. Remember supplies are limited and will be fulfilled on a first-come, first-served basis. You need not send a donation—but remember that every gift helps us form priests in the traditions of the Church.

We in the FSSP will be praying for you and your loved ones at our Christmas Liturgies. Please keep us in your prayers as we strive to form the priests who will bring the light of Christ into the world throughout 2022 and beyond.

**Don't miss out on the graces of this novena.
Enroll yourself and your loved ones today!**

Please send us your intentions on the enclosed reply card so that we can pray for them.



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