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"God makes himself small, He becomes a child, to attract us with love, to touch our hearts with His humble goodness, to move with His poverty those who strive to accumulate the false treasures of this world" (Pope Francis)

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint John the Evangelist Cathedral:

Greetings from your sister parish!

There are stories that we never get tired of hearing or telling. This is especially true of the story of Christmas. But Christmas is far more than just a story. Celebrating the Nativity of the Lord Jesus gives us the opportunity to, once again, return to the true Spirit of this blessed season, which is to give more of ourselves. After all, that is precisely what God did at the first Christmas in the beautiful town of Bethlehem: He gave of Himself and got so directly involved with us and our world.

As we reflect about the blessings that we as a parish community have received during 2021, Saint John the Evangelist Cathedral comes at the top of the list. Thanks to your prayers and support we were able to build five houses for families that were living in very poor conditions. In a beautiful way you gave shelter to the holy families of our present time. As God did at the first Christmas in Bethlehem you gave more of yourselves to bring joy, happiness, and comfort to five families. Thank you!

May the Infant Child Jesus and His Most Blessed Mother grant you the joy and peace of this holy season and keep you and your loved ones safe. Wishing you a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year, I remain

Yours in the Lord Jesus,

Fr. Javier Guativa,

Pastor of La Sagrada Familia parish