

Let us bring gifts

A child is born,
in poverty,
in a busy city,
on the edge of society,
amongst strangers,
far from home,
in Syria, South Sudan,
in Brazil.
New parents
dream, dreams
of schools,
of medicines,
of food,
of a better future.
Let us bring gifts
of compassion, solidarity and justice.
Amen.

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Guiding star

Jesus, the sight of the guiding star,
brought hope, courage and joy
to those who had journeyed to find you.
When our journey seems long,
when hope seems far away,
when our courage is failing
fill us with faith and trust;
shine your light on our fears,
lift our hearts with your joy.
Help us to recognise you
in our brothers and sisters
throughout the world;
show us how we can work together
so that we may all come to share in the life
promised to us by Jesus.

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Christmas Prayers from CAFOD

<https://cafod.org.uk/pray/christmas-prayers>

The boat of injustice

Vulnerable God,
as we contemplate the wonder of your
birth,
stir in us the desire to cradle those who
have nowhere to lay their head,
that together we may rock the boat of
injustice.
Give us grace to offer our hands to those
who reach out
that with faltering steps we may find a way
home
and kindle our hearts to embrace the
rejected and dispossessed
and so meet you face to face.

We ask this in your name, Amen

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