

## *A Christmas Filled with Hope and Love!*

*The year 2020 is drawing to a close in an atmosphere of both hope and anxiety. A big problem – Covid 19 – would seem to be about to be resolved in the course of the year 2021, but there are other impending dangers, fueling the anguish of some, while rendering more fragile, perhaps, the serenity of others. Thus, the illness will probably diminish, but its consequences will weigh heavily and for a long time on a society that is overwhelmed, destabilized and sometimes distraught.*

*Of course, we can get over such a situation, but there will be so many repercussions in all areas! We are thinking here, in a special way, of the elderly, so isolated at times, of the young people who must “build themselves up” in such a social context and of the children, many of whom do not understand very well what is going on in the world. Many explanations will be required, as well as much love and continuous whiffs of hope.*

*May hope then be at the very center of our wishes! The hope of a Christmas which will be really joyful, but also truly spiritual and focussed on what is essential – the hope of a New Year in which men will not be so far from each other and in which the presence of God will be better perceived – and, beyond the vicissitudes of the present time, hope in a better world which, after 2,000 years of prayer, will finally be the Kingdom of God on Earth.*

*Yes, may the Lord and the Lady illuminate the horizon of our history, may they light – in the hearts of each individual, within families and communities, everywhere in the world – the most wonderful flame of Love and Hope! And may this flame, always well maintained, make you happy, regardless of your personal situation or the circumstances in your life, whatever your dreams and hopes may be, and often also your tribulations and sufferings. So it was for the Lady who, no matter what she was experiencing, always radiated a great joy, a quiet and peaceful happiness and an unshakeable trust in God. This is our heartfelt wish for you.*



### *The Marian Father's Greetings*



*Dear Knights of Mary,*

*Every year, the feast of Christmas brings to mind the presence of God among us, this presence which crosses the times to set us at the very heart of the mystery in the today of God.*

*Christmas is Love calling us. So, let us be attentive, in order to answer His call quickly and eagerly, as the angels in Heaven, the shepherds in Bethlehem and the Wise Men from the East did.*

*Let us celebrate in joy the birth of Jesus the Redeemer. And let us not forget that, since His coming, Heaven has opened once again to give us His divine spouse, Marie-Paule Co-Redemptrix.*

*To one and all, a Merry Christmas and a Holy New Year 2021! May God protect you and shower you, dear Knights of Mary, with an abundance of graces and countless blessings.*

*Father Victor Rizzi,  
Marian Father*

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