

Saint Benedict Catholic Church

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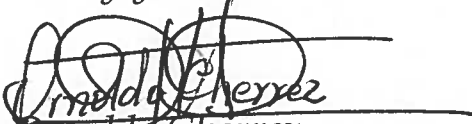
Dear Sisters and Brothers,

At Christmas time, commerce, the media and businesses in general take advantage by disguising their sales purposes with phrases that invite you to live happiness, peace, harmony, good wishes and a lot of other things. All of them good, but they fail to describe what Christmas really is.

As much as the creative publicists break their heads looking for beautiful Christmas phrases, they can never understand the greatness of the mystery that is contained in the coming of God to the world. For this it is necessary to be intimately linked to the original source of this celebration, to the protagonist of everything, and from there to understand a little, and to explain another little, this tremendous event that did not come only to modify the calendar, but our lives.

My dear sisters and brothers, one more year God has given me the opportunity to be with you sharing my priesthood. I am deeply grateful for all the help you have given me and the parish, and hope you will continue in the coming year. I want to wish you from the bottom of my heart a Merry Christmas and that the new year 2019 be full of blessings and joys because we will be committed more and more to the Lord through the service to our brothers and sisters in the different activities that our parish of Saint Benedict calls us to.

Sincerely yours, in Christ,



Arnoldo Chérrez

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