

## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, Preschool Families!

As you know, Christmas is not celebrated for just one day in the church but has its own season, which ends on January 12th, The Baptism of the Lord. We've been excited to welcome your children back into the atrium this week, after our Christmas break. The first time we meet, we celebrate Christmas together. It is a joyful gathering recalling Isaiah's prophecy, "*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light*" and praising God for Jesus' birth. The children each put a flameless candle around the baby Jesus on our prayer table and we sing Christmas songs and other songs about the Light. Often a favorite day for the children and catechists, we leave the candles on to remind us of Jesus' presence. Below is a link to a "Parent Pages" article regarding Epiphany and other Christmas themes. After the Christmas Season we will focus on the Kingdom Parables of Jesus. More on that next time. **Blessings to you and your family!**

### Parent Pages - Christmas and Epiphany season

