

## The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

*Readings for Mass during the Night*

<b>First Reading:</b>	Isaiah 9:1-6
<b>Responsorial Psalm:</b>	Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13
<b>Second Reading:</b>	Titus 2:11-14
<b>Gospel:</b>	Luke 2:1-14

[Full Readings can be found here!](#)

## 1. HEAR

Today is the Nativity of the Lord - Christmas season has begun!

It is a **Solemnity** – a feast day of the highest rank celebrating a mystery of faith.

You will notice that the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord has different readings for the different times of the day. If you know when you will gather for Mass, consider reading and praying with the corresponding readings.

Grab your Bible and look up the Gospel reading. Don't have one? You can find the text [here](#).

To see a video of the Gospel, [click here](#).

To see a video of the Gospel for children, [click here](#).

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home. Use #LACatholicsBelieve and tag @LACatholics on social media.

## 2. PRAY

You have had the opportunity to prepare during the Advent season for today! Think back and reflect on how each week of Advent helped you prepare to welcome Jesus in your home.

You can gather around the Nativity scene at your home or parish or, gather at a table. Invite each person to share what God is doing in his/her life.



Conclude with a prayer of thanksgiving for all the graces you have received. Each person can share a different prayer of thanksgiving, or one person can lead it.

## 3. TALK

Gather with a family member or friend. Share with one another the following questions:

- What are ways that you and your family celebrate Christmas? You can find more resources [here](#)!
- What were some signs, symbols, and rituals during Mass? What did you feel?

**\*\*Action item:** Consider dropping off food at your local pantry or someone in need. This is how you can give thanks and praise to God for the blessings you have received.