

Prayer Before Christmas Dinner



Heavenly Father:

*On this special day when we celebrate
the birth of Jesus,
we come together as a family
with thanksgiving and praise in our hearts.*

*We praise you for the gift of salvation,
for loving us as we are.*

*We thank you for our family and friends
who love and care for us.*

*Close the door of hate
and open the door of love all over the world.*

*Let kindness come with every gift
and good wishes with every greeting.*

*Teach us to be merry with clear hearts,
to live in joy, peace and harmony.*

*Bless us O Lord, and these,
Thy gifts which we are about to receive
from Thy bounty, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*