## **Prayers for Christmas**

Loving God, help us to approach the Christmas story with a new sense of wonder as we think of Jesus - Son of God, yet born of Mary.

The incarnate Word yet a child without speech

The Lord of Glory yet a baby cradled in a manger.

Thank you God for this gift beyond words, and help us to see your love in all the gifts we will give and receive this Christmas in celebration of your birth day, and this we ask in Jesus name

Amen

Lord God, we thank you for the loveliness of the Christmas story: Ever old, and yet ever new,

The child in the manger, the song of the angels, the worship of the shepherds, and the love of Mary and Joseph. But most of all we thank you for the true meaning of the Christmas story; help us to understand it better, make it more real for us.

We thank you for this season which speaks so powerfully of your love for us, and we ask that our hearts may be filled with wonder, joy, and we ask in Jesus name

Amen