

His Eminence  
The Most Reverend  
Metropolitan JOSEPH



Archbishop of New York and  
Metropolitan of  
All North America

**ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE  
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*Nativity 2017*

*Today doth Bethlehem receive Him Who sitteth with the Father forever. Today the angels glorify, as worthy of God, the babe that is born, shouting: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth be peace, and goodwill among men.*

*Beloved in Christ,*

*With great joy I greet you at the dawn of this bright and glorious feast of the Sun of Justice, Christ our God, making the cave a heaven and the manger a noble place!*

*May He Who deigned to be born in the cave and rest in a manger take up His abode in us. Let us join our voices with the angelic choirs and glorify God, beseeching Him to bring peace, justice, and reconciliation to our troubled world.*

*Praying that these holy days of the feast will be joyous and grace-filled, and that God will grant you peace, health, and length of days, I remain,*

*Yours in the service of Christ,*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Metropolitan Joseph". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**+JOSEPH**

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*"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch" (Acts 11: 26)*

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