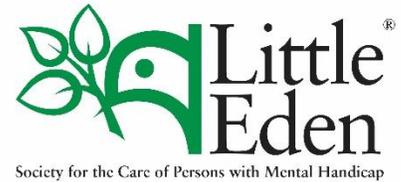


Harvesters of Jesus



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The Association of the Harvesters of Jesus was established in order to provide the regular daily spiritual needs of the LITTLE EDEN Society. It is firmly believed that without such support, LITTLE EDEN would wither.

Christmas includes being with our LITTLE EDEN Family

Tinsel, trees, Christmas carols and good food - Is this really what Christmas is about? While appreciating the joy on the faces of our LITTLE EDEN *angels*, when viewing the two 2020 Christmas Concert videos on our YouTube channel, I would say definitely not.

Telling the Story of Christmas through our annual Christmas Concerts may differ each year. But the same theme is reinforced, always showing Jesus being God born as a child into his family, into our family, into the LITTLE EDEN family - WE ARE FAMILY.

Christmas is about families, the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, as well as our LITTLE EDEN family, our own familiescelebrating the birth of Jesus while appreciating each other's company and support (whether physical, emotional, financial or spiritual). To many of our *angels* LITTLE EDEN is their only home as some are abandoned and others don't have a family of their own.

While Christmas includes spending time with our loved ones, we thank our dedicated staff who leave their families to be at LITTLE EDEN to continue their commitment in providing 24-hour care to our residents.

In a year in which we were reminded just how valuable family is, we are thankful for having supporters who are making our *angels* part of their family by praying for us and helping us in various other critical ways towards their care.

We pray that the commemoration of the birth of Jesus and the memory of the joy of our Christmas Concert *angels* will not only remind us about the unconditional love God has for human kind, but to also help us to appreciate and enjoy our own time with our families.



A scene from the Elvira Rota Village Nativity Play

I challenge you to do something meaningful and worthwhile within your family this Christmas.

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Daily prayer for the needs of LITTLE EDEN Society

Jesus, Great Harvester, who desires the salvation of all mankind, accept the offering of my life and work in assisting You to help garner the fields for the harvest. Teach me compassion, understanding and love for those most in need. Bless our Association; strengthen the bonds of love and charity amongst us, so that with hearts united we may say "Thy kingdom come". Mary, comfort of the afflicted, pray for us.