



Festive Season

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A crisp misty morning greets us
'tis hard to believe
a year has passed
sure enough the festive season
is truly upon us
anticipation, excitement fills the air
as I climb the ladder
into the attic
where in an old dusty shoe box
lie symbols of Christmas
gently wrapped in soft tissue paper
beautiful traditional tree decorations
sparkling colourful glass baubles
bells, garlands, ribbons, an angel.

Christmas past brought to life
reindeer, drummer boy, snowflake
a star, holly, gingerbread man
an antique mirrored crystal bauble
catches my eye
a family favourite and heirloom
twirling in my hand
twinkling in the light
cherished memories are stirred
carol singing and midnight mass
parcels and stockings
tastes and aromas of all things nice
delicious goodies and special treats
smiles, thankfulness and gratitude in abundance.

The festive season is upon us
a time to share in all the loveliness
Christmas card writing, nativity
giving and receiving of special gifts
thinking of others
with wonder and joy
family, friends, colleagues, neighbours, communities
all cultures and creeds at home and across the globe
celebrating a seasonal holiday
in their own unique way
a time of peaceful reflection
of goodwill and kindness
of spiritual unity, of love, light and peace
for everyone this festive season.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



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