

## Grain

"Into this world, this demented inn, in which there is absolutely no room for him at all, Christ comes uninvited."

—Thomas Merton

## **Field**

16So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. 17When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; 18and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. 19But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. 20The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them." Luke 2:16-20



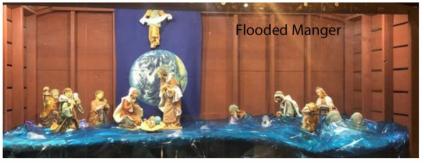












## **Thoughts**

Blessings to you as we prepare to celebrate Jesus born at a particular time in history and who is present, invited and not invited, beyond any one age or setting. Happy Monday!

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