



*Christmas 2019*

*“Still unable to write without fatigue,  
I send you, my daughter, this blessed image  
who will tell you everything and  
who will supply me with all I need.  
You have a hard time shrinking,  
but what are we?  
See how our great God  
is made a small, weak, child?  
Yet we don't want to lose anything  
of what we believe to be something!*

*Perhaps, by contemplating this divine figure,  
you will understand, finally, that we are only a  
nothingness! »*

*(Madeleine Sophie Barat to M Lucile Charre, Paris, February 10, 1864)*