

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
POPE FRANCIS
ANGELUS
Saint Peter's Square

6 January 2017

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After the Angelus:

[...] The Magi offer their gifts to Jesus, but in reality, Jesus himself is the true gift of God: he is indeed the God who gives himself to us; in him we see the merciful face of the Father who awaits us, welcomes us, always forgives us; the face of God that never treats us according to our works or according to our sins, but only in accordance with the immensity of his inexhaustible mercy. And speaking of gifts, I too thought I would give you a little gift ... there aren't any camels, but I will give you the gift of the *Icons of Mercy* booklet. God's gift is Jesus, mercy of the Father; and this is why in order to remember this gift of God, I am giving you this gift that will be distributed by the poor, by the homeless and by refugees along with many volunteers and religious whom I cordially greet and thank wholeheartedly. [...]