



BETHLEHEM HANDICRAFTS

THE HOLY LAND IN YOUR HANDS

Nativity Sets • Creches • Rosaries • Statuettes •

Christmas Ornaments • Home, Office and Church Décor

From Bethlehem in the Holy Land, The Bannoura family of Bethlehem Handicrafts imports products from the Christian community of Bethlehem. They are pleased to share their family story and trade to all those who will be present after all masses on June 4th & 5th.

As Joseph taught Christ the trade of carpentry in Nazareth, the Bannoura family passed the trade of olive wood artisanship from generation to generation until the present. They take great pride in this distinct and traditional craft, which is one of the principal sources of income for the small but resilient Christian community.



Each item for sale is handcrafted from olive wood with care and precision.

Any number of items ranging from Nativity sets to Christmas ornaments will make ideal Christmas gifts for family, friends and coworkers. Other items such as statuettes and rosary beads will make for excellent Baptismal, First Communion and Confirmation gifts throughout the year.



Our family – the Bannoura clan – is one of the families in the Christian community of Beit Sahour, the largest Christian village in the Holy Land. We have been handcrafting olive wood figurines for a very long time, and we hope to continue this trade, even as some of our family have moved to the United States and built their lives there. We keep our Christian faith as we keep our olive wood artisan traditions, and are proud to be considered to be part of the living Christian heritage of the Holy Land.

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