

# Santo Niño Hymn

## **Verse 1**

One day to these Islands  
as gift and in pledge God  
sent you to us, o beloved Child  
And always you have been,  
the light of our souls  
The guide of our people,  
the flame in our hearts.

## **Chorus:**

Senor Santo Niño,  
with your scepter guide our people,  
Who hail you king forever,  
the World is your Kingdom,  
Senor Santo Niño,  
in Your hands the world find its rest;  
Proclaim your truth and justice,  
bring to men Your peace and love

## **Verse 2**

The ship You were sailing,  
arrived at our shores  
To conquer this land, the pearl of the seas;  
But you had decided,  
to stay in this soil  
To conquer our people,  
and give us a name

(Repeat Chorus)

## **Verse 3**

The queen and the rajah,  
accepting the faith,  
Received you in their arms,  
and fell on their knees  
They welcomed your presence,  
and called on your name  
To ask for your blessings,  
and help in their needs.

(Repeat Chorus)

**Verse 4**

More ships in the Orient,  
with soldiers arrived;  
And searching for gold,  
they found you instead;  
Legaspi, Urdaneta, the Rajah, the Queen;  
Their subjects our people,  
proclaimed you their king.

(Repeat Chorus)

**Verse 5**

Now one as nation,  
we pay You respect  
Our people did pledge, a long time ago;  
We ask You to hear the prayers of all;  
The sad and forsaken,  
the poor and the sick.

(Repeat Chorus)