



The Meaning of the Gifts of the Twelve Days of Christmas

A partridge in a pear tree is Jesus Christ

Two turtle doves are the Old and New Testaments.

Three French hens are faith, hope and love.

Four calling birds are the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John.

Five golden rings are the first five books of Bible.

Six geese-a-laying are the six days of creation.

Seven swans a swimming are the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit

Eight maids a-milking are the eight beatitudes.

Nine ladies dancing are the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit.

Ten lords a-leaping are the Ten Commandments

Eleven pipers piping are the eleven faithful disciples.

Twelve drummers drumming are twelve points of belief in Apostles' Creed.