

Poetry Porch: Poetry

My wishes swim like fishes

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What I would like this New
Year's is a very different
year. I'd like far less

than 100,00 people here
to die, and not millions
around the world. Let's

have everyone getting
vaxxed. I'd like things
to be on shelves when

I shop and UPS and Fed
Ex and the post office
to go back to working.

I'd like to see people's
faces safely again, so
when a person says hello

on the street or in the P.O.,
I know who they are.
I'd like to give and go

to parties. I'd like to see
the inside of a restaurant.
I'd like to travel safely.

I want a different year
this year, but I strongly
doubt we'll get one.