

The Glorious Mysteries



The first Glorious Mystery is _____

It can be found in the book of _____

The second Glorious Mystery is _____

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The third Glorious Mystery is _____

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Draw a picture of the fourth Glorious Mystery

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The Angelus

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for
us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord: Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary . . .

And the Word was made Flesh: And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary . . .

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the
promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to
whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an
angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection,
through the same Christ Our Lord.

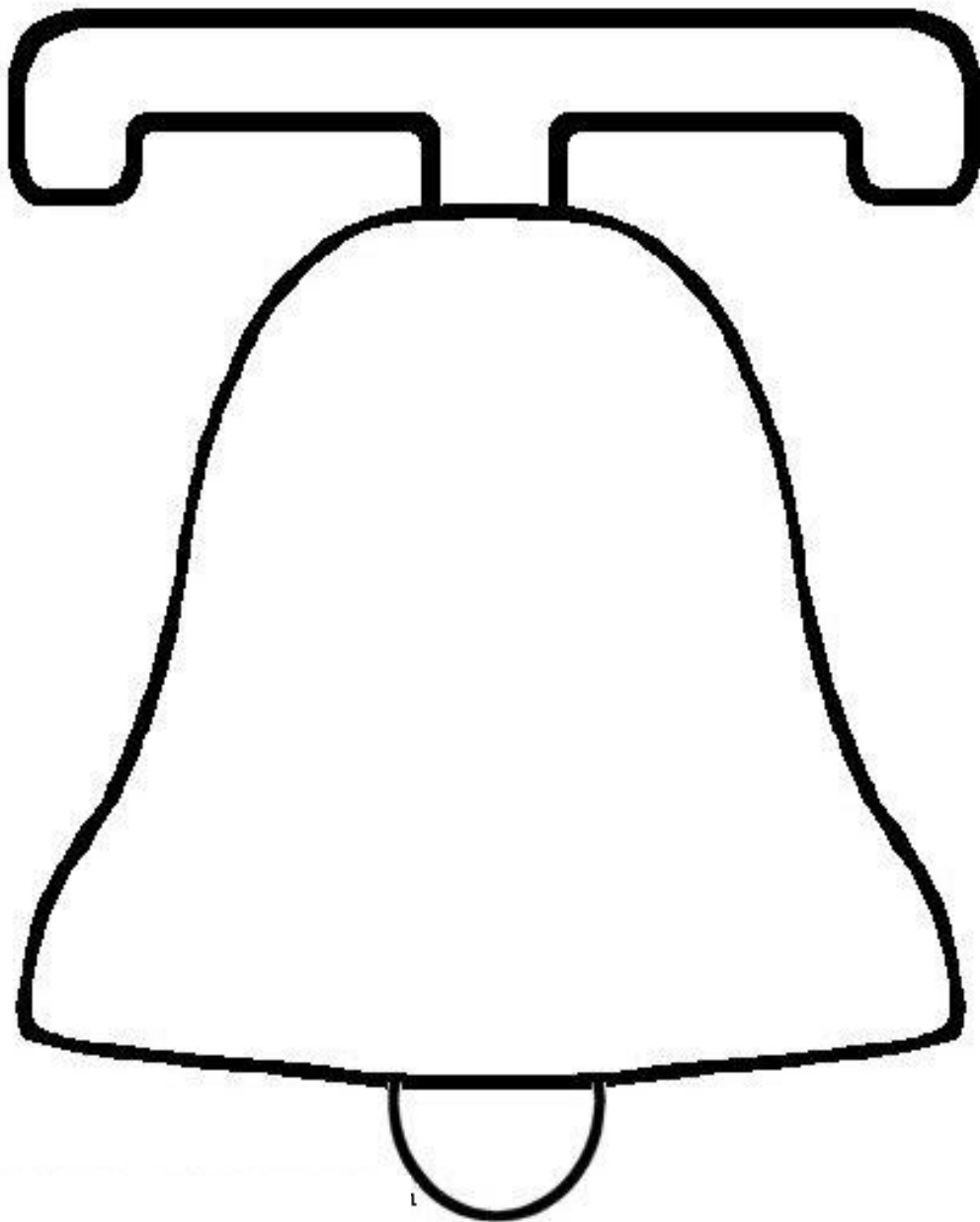
Amen.

The Angelus Bell

Some of the earliest Angelus Bells used dated to the 13th and 14th centuries, still survive and are engraved with inscriptions.

Decorate your own Angelus Bell using the template below.

Choose an inscription and write it on to the bell. Cut it out and glue it into your jotter.



"The Angelus" by Jean-Francois Millet, 1857 Louvre, Paris.



The Parable of the Great Feast - Luke 14:15-24

Once Jesus and His disciples were having a meal at someone's house, and Jesus told this story.



meal at

"A man gave a big banquet and invited many people." When it was time to eat, the man sent his servant to tell the guests, "Come! Everything

people," Jesus sent his is ready! "

But all the guests said they could not come. an excuse. The first one said, "I have just and I must go look at it. Please excuse me."

Each man made bought a field,

Another man said, "I have just bought five pairs of oxen; I must go try them. Please excuse me."

A third man said, "I just got married; I can't come."

So, the servant returned. He told his master what had happened. Then the master became angry and said, "Go at once into the streets and alleys of the town. Bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame."

Later the servant said to him, 'Master, I did what you told me to do, but we still have places for more people.'

The master said to the servant, "Go out to the roads and country lanes. Tell the people there to come. I want my house to be full! None of those men that I invited first will ever eat with me!"

Jesus was talking about Himself in this parable. He is like the man who planned the party and invited many people. Jesus has invited everyone to accept His salvation, which leads to eternal life. And He's giving you an invitation. Many people in the story had excuses for not coming to the party. They let other things become more important than being with their friend. They weren't really true friends at all and because they were too busy with other things, they turned down the invitation and missed the great feast.

In this parable the invitation to the banquet is Jesus' invitation for us to accept His salvation. Accepting salvation means that we ask Jesus to forgive our sins and choose to do the things He wants us to do. We have a choice. We can decide to accept His invitation or to let other things become more important in our lives. How about you? Right now, will you say yes to the invitation Jesus has given you? Do you want to be with Him in heaven and experience the joy of being in His presence forever?

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Copy and complete the following in your jotter.

Personal Preparatory Rites

Priest: Pray brethren, that my _____ and yours may be acceptable to _____, the almighty Father

Response: May the _____ accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and _____ of His name, for our good and the good of all his _____ .

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The _____ be with you.

Response: And with your _____.

Priest: Lift up your _____.

Response: We lift them up to the _____.

Priest: Let us give _____ to the Lord our God.

Response: It is _____ and _____.



The Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the _____ of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the _____.
Blessed are those called to the _____ of the Lamb.

Response: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my _____, but only say the _____ and my soul shall be healed.



The Sainthood Process

Here are the steps that must be followed in the process of Canonisation:

1. A local Bishop investigates the candidate's life and writings for evidence of heroic virtue. The information uncovered by the Bishop is sent to the Vatican.
2. A panel of theologians and the Cardinals of the **Congregation for Cause of Saints** evaluate the candidate's life.
3. If the panel approves, the Pope proclaims that the candidate is **Venerable**, which means that the person is a role model of Catholic virtues.
4. The next step toward Sainthood is **Beatification**, which allows a person to be honored by a particular group or region. In order to beatify a candidate, it must be shown that the person is responsible for a **posthumous miracle**. Martyrs - those who died for their religious cause - can be beatified without evidence of a miracle.
5. In order for the candidate to be considered a Saint, there must be proof of a **second posthumous miracle**. If there is, the person is Canonised.

These **alleged miracles** must be submitted to the Vatican for verification.

Once a person is a Saint, he or she is recommended to the entire Catholic Church for Veneration.

Some Saints are selected as **Patron Saints**, special protectors or guardians over particular occupations, illnesses, Churches, countries or causes.

Saint Margaret Mary

When was Saint Margaret Mary Born?

Where was she born?

As a child who appeared to her in a vision?



Margaret chose not to marry. What did she choose instead? _____

What did Jesus show to Margaret Mary? _____

List three examples of the twelve great promises Jesus made to Margaret Mary.

Write a paragraph about what type of person you think Margaret Mary was. Read the story again carefully to help you pick up on some of her traits, gifts and personality.

Saint Therese

What is saint Theresa often called?

When was she born?

Where was she born?

Which Convent did she want to enter and why was she not allowed?

Who did she dare to ask for help in her mission to become a Nun?

What three words did she use to describe her duty?

What age was she when she died?

What did she say she would do after her death?

Write a paragraph about what type of person do you think Theresa was. Read the story again carefully to help you pick up on some of her traits, gifts and personality.



A House on the Rocks!

An old man sat on a bench in a park. A little boy ran up to him and asked him: "Why do you always look so cheerful and happy?"

"I made a promise to God when I was a child like you, and I've kept it."

"What promise was that?"

"I promised God that I would never complain."

"How long ago did you promise that?"

"98 years ago."

"98! Then you don't have long to go!"

"Oh, yes I do. I've promised God that I won't complain for the next 100 years!"



We all long for that lovely feeling of peace and happiness. The closest to it I can think of is the feeling we get when we are about to go on a long holiday to an exciting place with our best friend. We feel happy, excited, in love with everyone and with the whole world. We feel like we are riding on the wind with the sun on our back and a very blue sea at our feet, and we can't even remember how to spell 'complain'. The problem is that we don't know how to hold on to that feeling. It soon bursts like a balloon in the sun. This is because that feeling is built on is something temporary - our holiday.

Jesus teaches us how to build up that feeling so that it can survive even if we have to do a lot of things we don't want to do or have things happen to us that we don't like. Because Jesus loves us so much and he wants us to be happy deep inside, not just on the top like the 'holiday happiness', he sat down on the side of a mountain and taught people like us how to get 'supreme happiness'. The word 'Beatitude' means just that - 'supreme happiness' of the lasting kind. Jesus' lesson is kept for us in the Bible (Mt 5-7).

Jesus said that to be happy there are 8 attitudes that we must practice so that they become part of who we are. Jesus said, happy are the poor in spirit; happy are those who mourn; happy are the meek; happy are those who hunger for what is right; happy are the merciful; happy are the pure in heart; happy are the peacemakers and happy are the persecuted.

Now if you are like me, you will say that that is about as clear as thick soup. Especially the bits on being hungry and persecuted! Who wants that? And how can that make you happy? But of course, we know that Jesus never lies and he would never say that those people were going to be happy if they weren't. So, the only answer is once again (remember the Commandments?) that there must be more to the words of Jesus than what seems to be the case at first glance. Luckily for us, Jesus followed these words with many examples of what people must do so that we could understand exactly what he meant. Let us have a look.



"Happy are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven". What Jesus was saying was that the people who are humble and know that everything they have comes from God turn to God for everything they need. Also, because they know that everything is given to them by God, they are happy to share what they have. To be poor in spirit you have to really trust God (not just when you are in trouble) and share yourself and what you have with others. In the lessons that follow the Beatitudes, Jesus tells us to try not to want too many things on earth, but to do good because God will store treasure for us in heaven for each of our good deeds on earth.



"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted". When you mourn, it means that you feel sorry for something or someone you have lost. Jesus is saying here that we have to feel sorry for the loss of good in the world. God made it good, but we messed things up a bit with thinking of ourselves first. What Jesus wants us to do is to decide against sinning and help others to do the same. Jesus talks about many sins in the lessons that follow. He talks about people who are more interested in money than in loving God and others. He talks about people caring too much about what they want instead of what is good for their families. He also talks about people who want to do bad things to others who hurt them. Jesus says that we must try not to behave like this. He tells us that if we put God and others first, God will reward us in heaven.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth". Being meek doesn't mean being a mouse, even if meek does sound a bit like squeak! Being meek means that we treat others with kindness help them and share what we have. In His teachings Jesus teaches us that we must treat others the way we want to be treated. So when we are about to put "me" first, we must stop right there, think of how we want to be treated and then wish that for others. Jesus says that if you do that, God will put you first in heaven. Jesus says that we must also help others who need our help. If we can help in any way, then that is a job that we must do.

"Blessed are those who hunger for what is right". You know pretty well what it feels like to be hungry. You want to get some food to take away that empty feeling as quickly as possible. What Jesus is saying here is that in the same way that you want to do something quickly to take away that hungry feeling, you must really want to fix what is wrong around you so that what is right can quickly take its place. If you see someone who is doing something wrong, you must tell them not to. If you see something that is unfair, you should try to find a way to make it fair. Jesus said that we know what is right and wrong from the Ten Commandments and He tells us that it is really important that we know them well and understand them.



"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." This one is easy to understand. Jesus teaches us that if we forgive others quickly, God will also forgive us when we offend Him. Jesus taught us the Lord's Prayer. In that prayer we say, "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us". So, we must make sure that we do forgive others, otherwise God will say: "I can't forgive you because you have not forgiven!" make sure you forgive quickly and do not still have that angry feeling inside.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God". Your heart is pure if you always have God in it. If you pray and always try to do what God would want you to do, God will stay in your heart and teach you to see things the way He does. People who are pure in heart keep their minds clean and their heart away from sin. They take care of themselves as the temple of God so that God can live in their souls. God doesn't want to live together with sin in His children. Jesus goes on to teach that we are the light of the world so we must radiate God's goodness. He also teaches that we are like salt. Salt makes food taste good and stops it from going bad. If we are like salt, we help the world to stay good and stop others from trying to make it bad. Jesus also tells us that we must stay close to God by often praying quietly.



"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God". Jesus teaches us that fighting is against the will of God. God loves peace because His children can only grow to be what He wants them to be if there is peace. We often think about peace on a grand scale - like the opposite of war. But peace also exists in a smaller but just as important scale. It exists in our hearts and around us in our families and friends. Jesus teaches us that we must always work for peace and justice. When we are children, we must try to always keep peace around us and in us by doing what is right and fair. When we are older, we must also keep peace around us but we must make sure that we work for peace and for a world that is fair.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven". When Jesus was speaking there were many, including Himself, who were in danger because powerful people did not want to listen to Jesus. They were mean to Jesus' followers and in the early Church the Christians were killed. It took a lot of courage to be a Christian then. Today, there are still places in the world where people cannot speak openly of their love for Jesus. We have to pray for people who suffer because they love Jesus. But even in our own lives people can be mean to us because we love Jesus and want to do what is right. When friends invite you to the beach and you say that you have to go to Church, they can tease you and call you a 'goody, goody'. Then you must have the courage to say that you want to go to Church and will see them later. Jesus will be very happy, and He will reward you in ways that you can't even imagine.

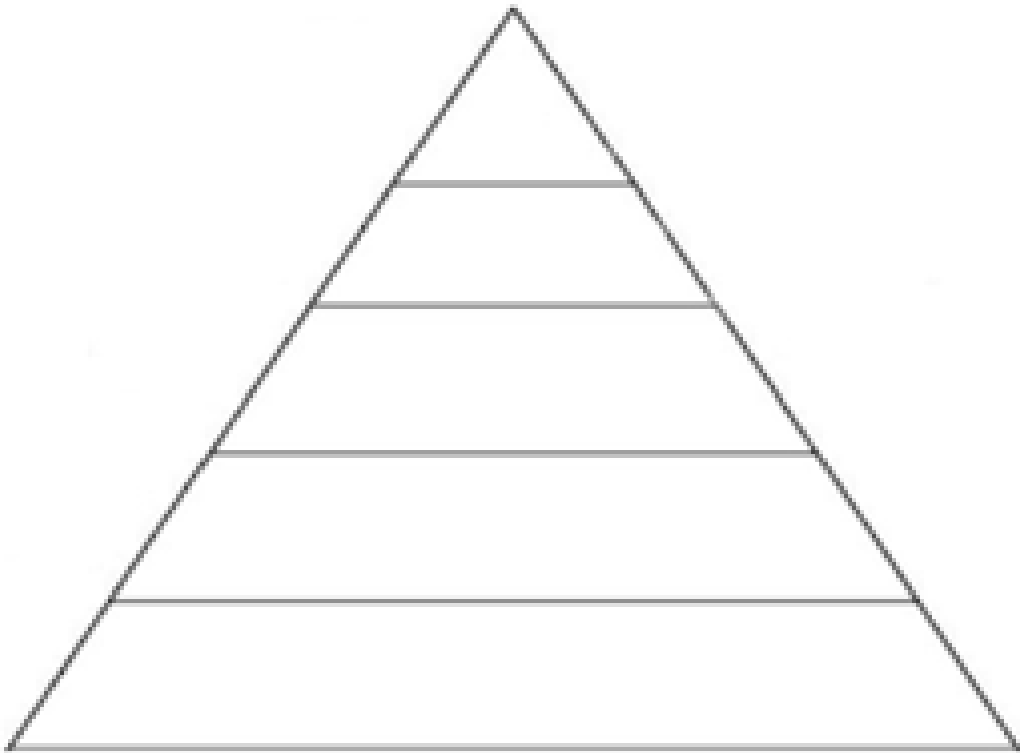
With these lessons Jesus taught us how to build a lasting happiness like a house built on solid rock.

Reflections on the Beatitudes

Which beatitude do you think relates most to you?	Which beatitude makes you feel most uncomfortable? Why do you think this is?

Write a few words to Jesus asking to Him to help you to listen more closely to the Beatitudes in the hope of becoming more virtuous.

Hierarchy of the Catholic Church



November Prayer Service

Primary 5

Theme: Remembrance

Resources:

- Candle
- Leader's readings
- Children's readings
- Reflective music
- Large template of a cross on wall/ presentation board
- Template for children's remembrance crosses
- Template for poppies to construct wreath for wall/ presentation board
- Music and lyrics of '*Be still and know that I am God*'

Remembrance Crosses (see attachment)

Each child will decorate a remembrance cross and will write the name(s) of someone they know who has died. The teacher will prepare a template of a large cross and when invited the children will attach their small cross on the large cross. They might need an adult to assist them in interlocking the crosses.

Wreath of Poppies (see attachment)

Each child will decorate a poppy. The poppy can be made out of fabric, tissue paper, coloured in, etc. The poppies will be displayed in the formation of a wreath with the words 'We Will Remember Them' attached.

Leader

Sign of the Cross

Light the candle

Child

We can all remember special times in our life and these are called memories. We all have both sad and happy memories. The sharing of memories is an important part of family, church, school and community life.

Child

November is the time of year when we remember all those who have died and have been welcomed by Jesus into the light of heaven. Let us pause for a minute and remember our family and friends who have died and are living for ever with Jesus.

Leader

A reading from a letter of Saint Paul (*based on 1 Thessalonians 4; 13-18*)

We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for all those who love Jesus. When they die, God will bring them with him. When we die we will meet the Lord in heaven, and stay with him for ever.

This is the Word of the lord

All

Thanks be to God

Child

Let us pray for all those who have died and live together in heaven with Jesus and all the saints. We ask God to bless them as we say: May they live for ever with the saints.

All

May they live for ever with the saints.

Child

God loves all our granddads and grannies who have died.

All

May they live for ever with the saints.

Child

God loves all the member of our families who have died.

All

May they live for ever with the saints.

Child

God loves all our friends and neighbours who have died

All

May they live for ever with the saints.

Child

God loves all the names on our special crosses who have died.

All

May they live for ever with the saints.

Placing of the Crosses

Reflective music is played as each child places his/her cross on the large cross.

Prayer for Those who Mourn

Leader

Gentle God,

You love all of us.

Wipe away the tears of those who are sad

And help all of us to remember Jesus

Who died and rose from the dead.

May we live for ever with Jesus

and be happy for ever.

Amen

Child

November is also the time of year when we remember all those who sacrificed their lives for us during wars. The Armistice that marked the end of the fighting in the First World War was signed on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. During that war hundreds of thousands of soldiers died.

Remembrance Sunday is held on the second Sunday in November, which is usually the Sunday nearest to 11th November. Special services are held at war memorials and churches all over Britain.

Child

A special national ceremony takes place at the Cenotaph in London. There, a big parade is attended by members of the Royal Family, the Government and men and women who have served in the armed forces. There is usually a 2 minutes silence so that people can remember the brave men and women who died in the First World War, the Second World War and in other wars that have happened since. It is a way of remembering not only past events but also the suffering that war continues to bring to the world today.

Child

Some of the worst fighting in World War 1 took place in Flanders in western Belgium. Fields of colourful red poppies grew over the mud and destruction of Flanders. Artificial poppies are worn as a symbol of remembrance and wreaths of poppies are placed on war memorials. Let us now hold a minutes silence to remember all those who gave their lives in war.

Leader

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

All

We will remember them

Leader

Now we will end with a traditional prayer for the dead.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

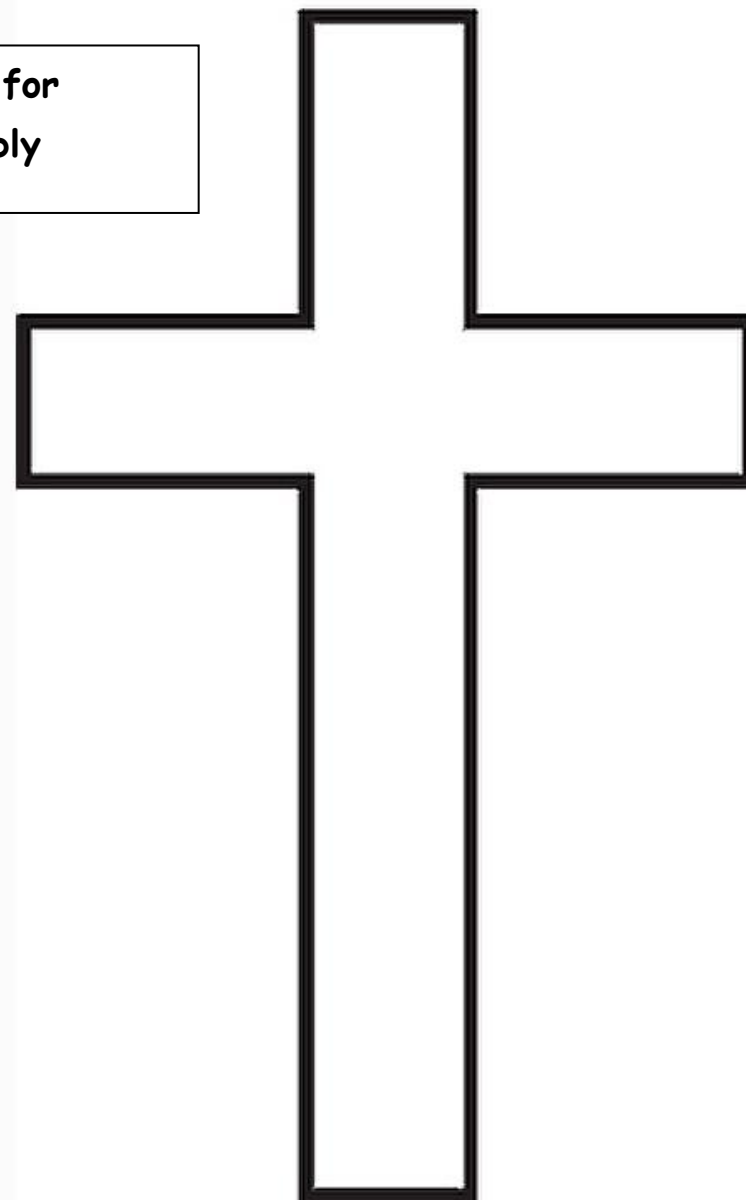
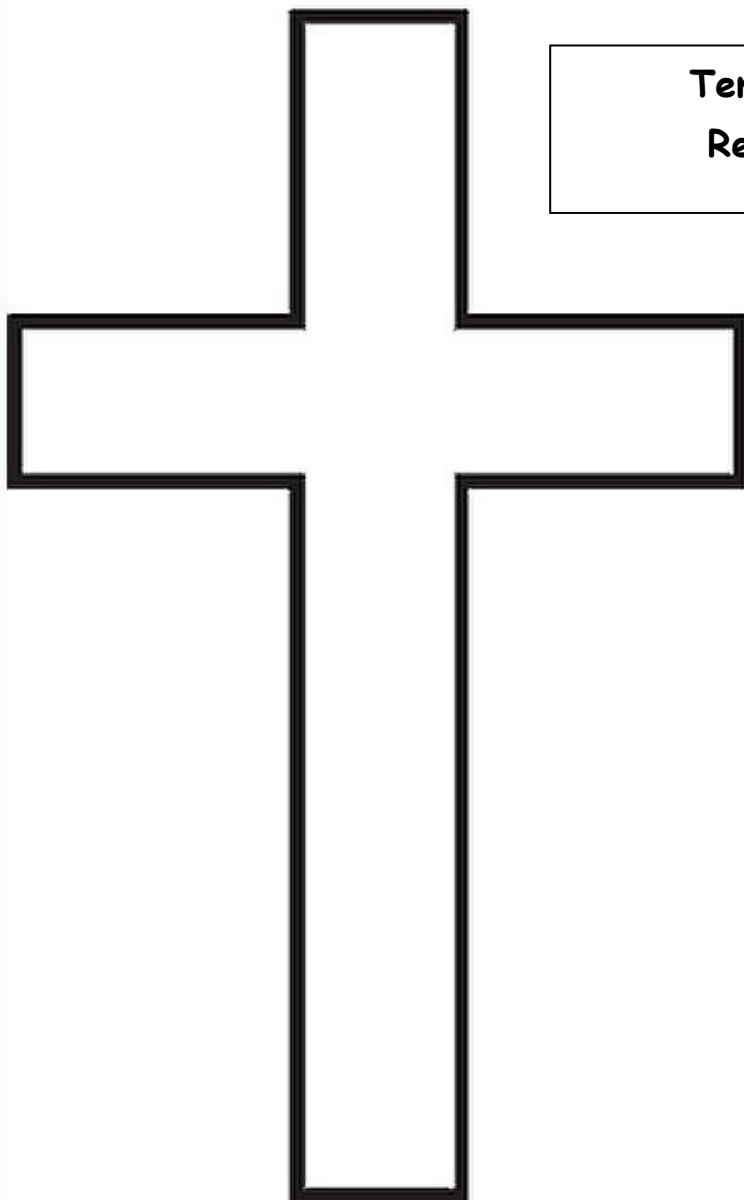
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Child

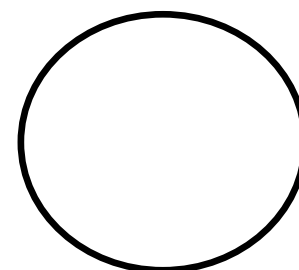
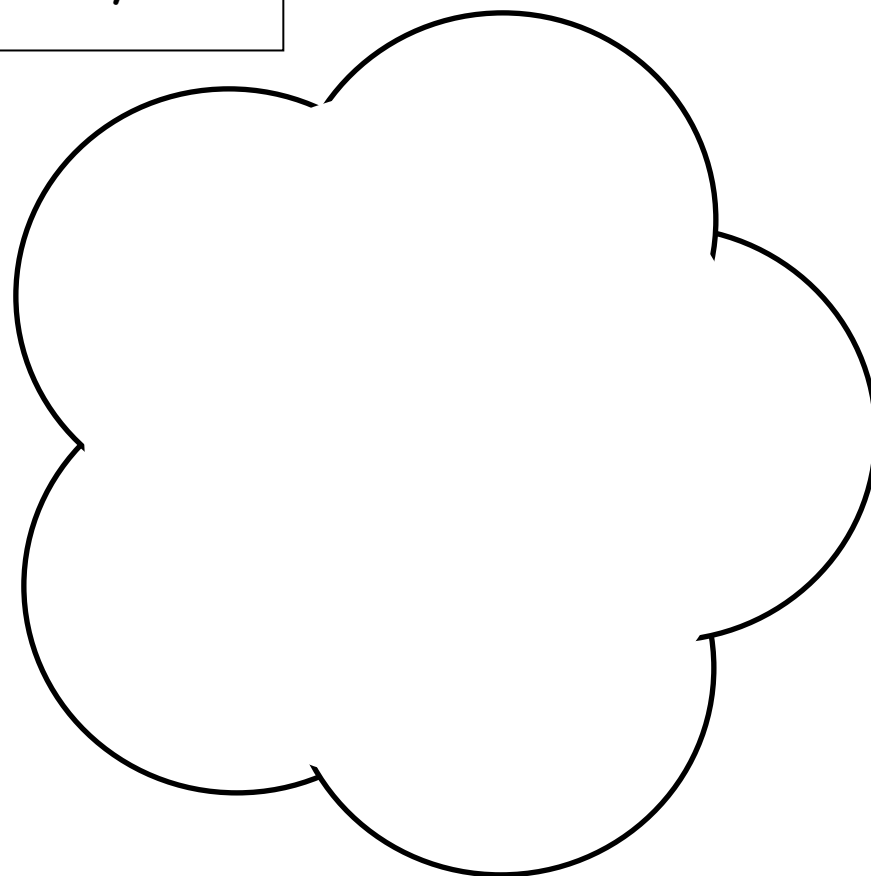
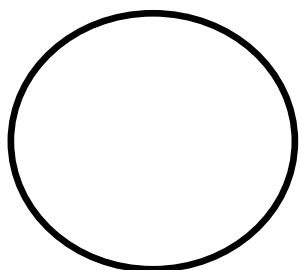
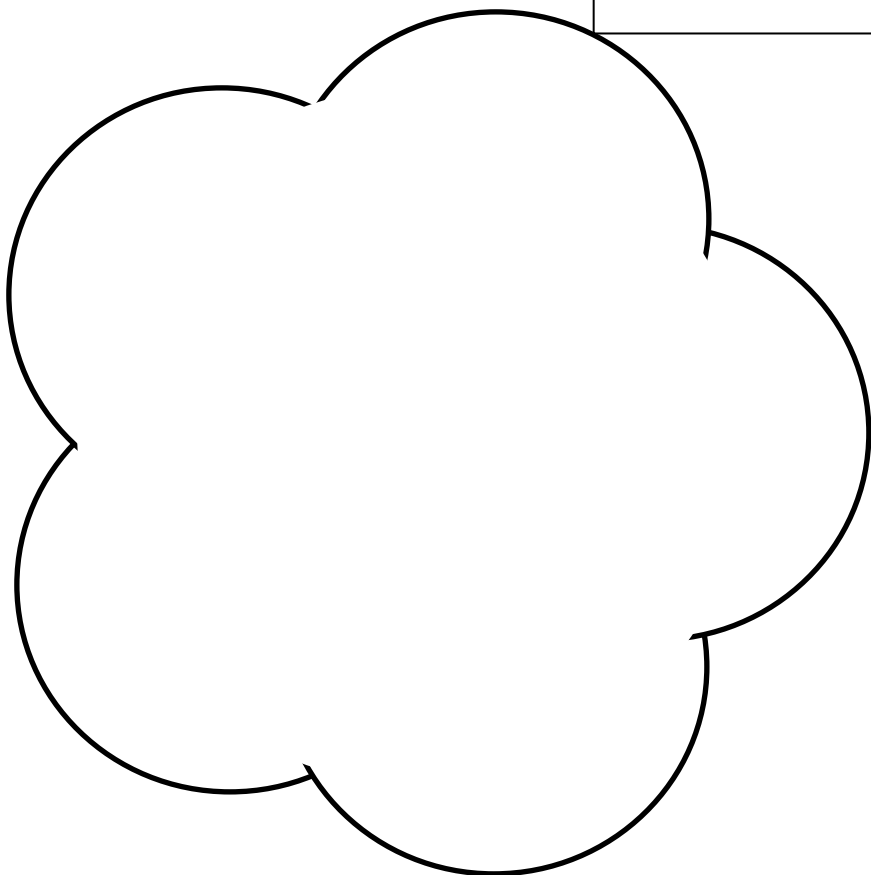
Thank you for joining us in our act of remembrance today.

Please join in as we sing '*Be still and know that I am God*'.

**Templates of Crosses for
Remembrance Assembly**



**Templates of Poppies for
Remembrance Assembly**



Inscription for Poppy Wreath
Remembrance Assembly



Teacher Notes on the Advent Wreath

The symbolism of the Advent wreath is beautiful. The wreath is made of various evergreens, signifying continuous life. Even these evergreens have a traditional meaning which can be adapted to our faith: The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering; pine, holly, and yew, immortality; and cedar, strength and healing. Holly also has a special Christian symbolism: The prickly leaves remind us of the crown of thorns, and one English legend tells of how the cross was made of holly. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life found in Christ. Any pine cones, nuts, or seedpods used to decorate the wreath also symbolize life and resurrection. Altogether, the wreath of evergreens depicts the immortality of our soul and the new, everlasting life promised to us through Christ, the eternal Word of the Father, who entered our world becoming true man and who was victorious over sin and death through His own passion, death, and resurrection.

The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. A tradition is that each week represents one thousand years, to sum to the 4,000 years from Adam and Eve until the Birth of the Saviour. Three candles are purple, and one is rose. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and good works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, *Gaudete Sunday*, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; *Gaudete Sunday* is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over, and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of His second coming to judge the living and the dead.

The light again signifies Christ, the Light of the world. Some modern-day adaptations include a white candle placed in the middle of the wreath, which represents Christ and is lit on Christmas Eve. Another tradition is to replace the three purple and one rose candles with four white candles, which will be lit throughout Christmas season.

Instructions - 3D Star of Bethlehem

You will need:

2 x star shapes printed on cardboard.

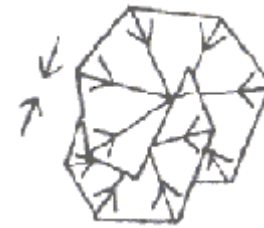
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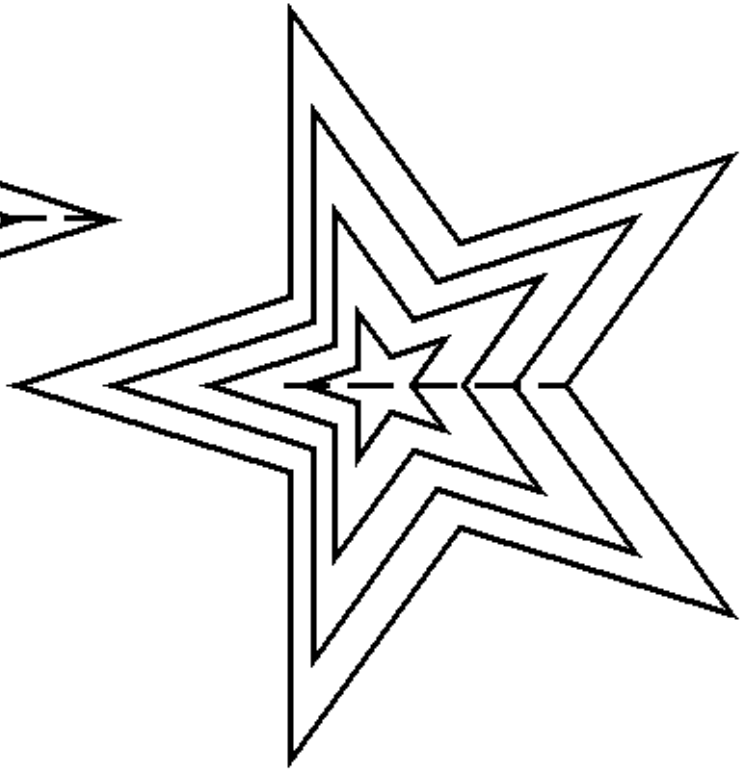
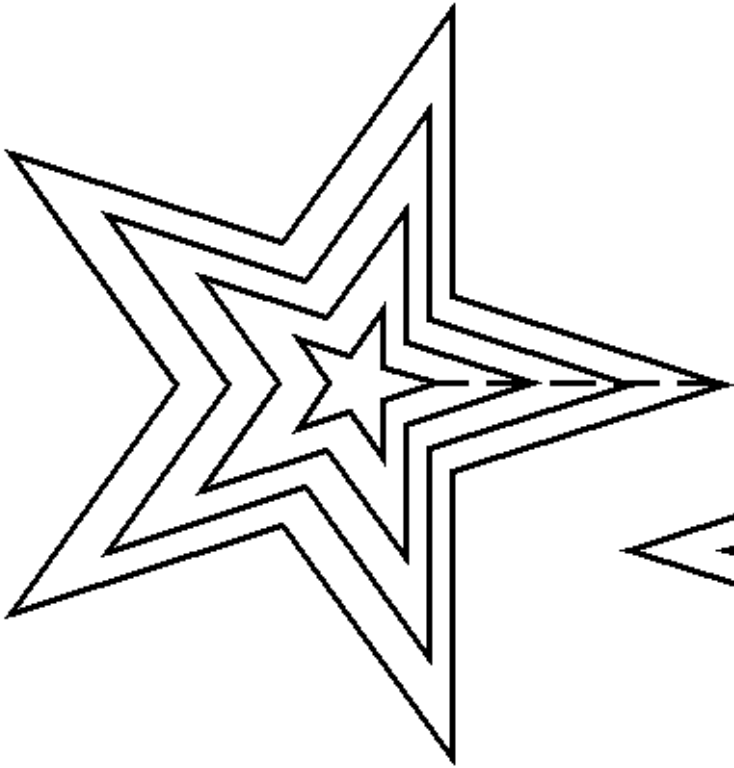
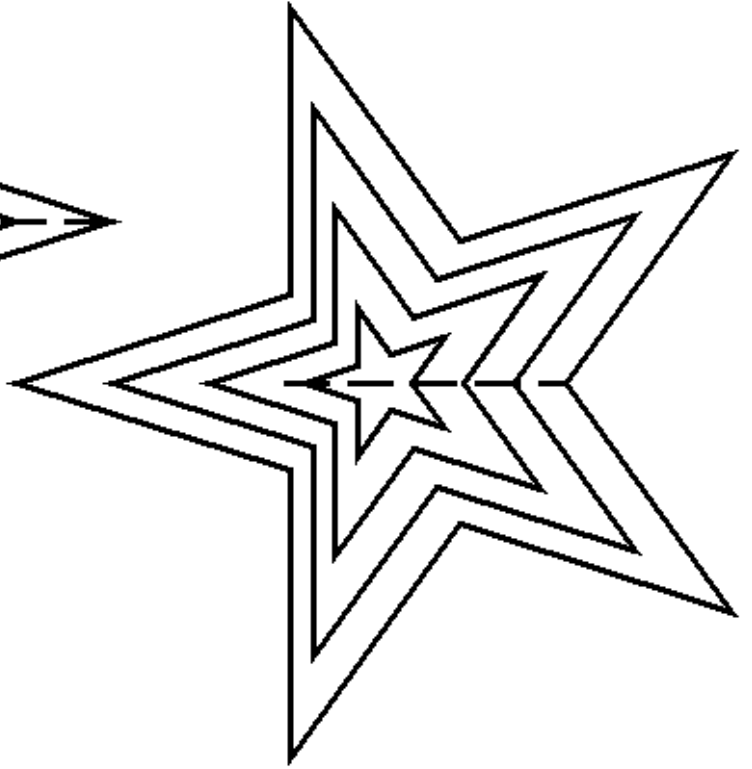
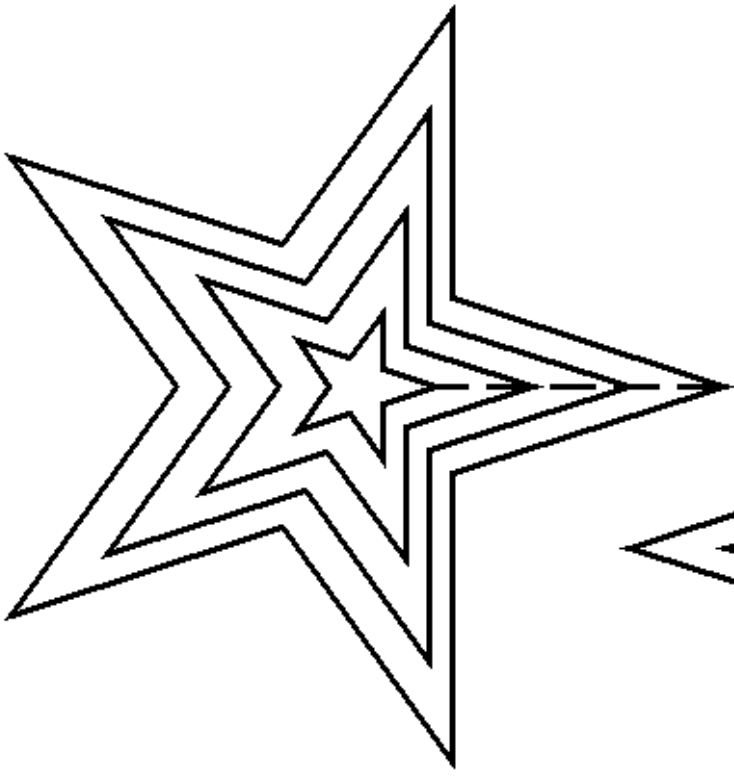
Art materials

Cord/string

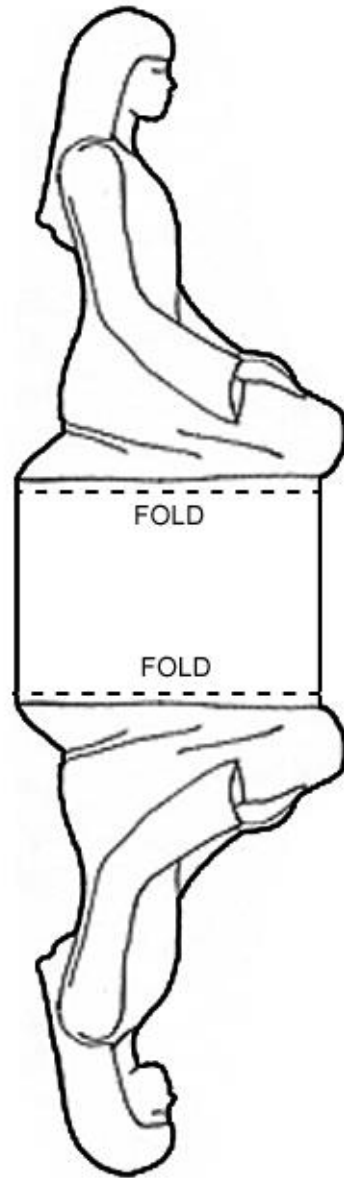
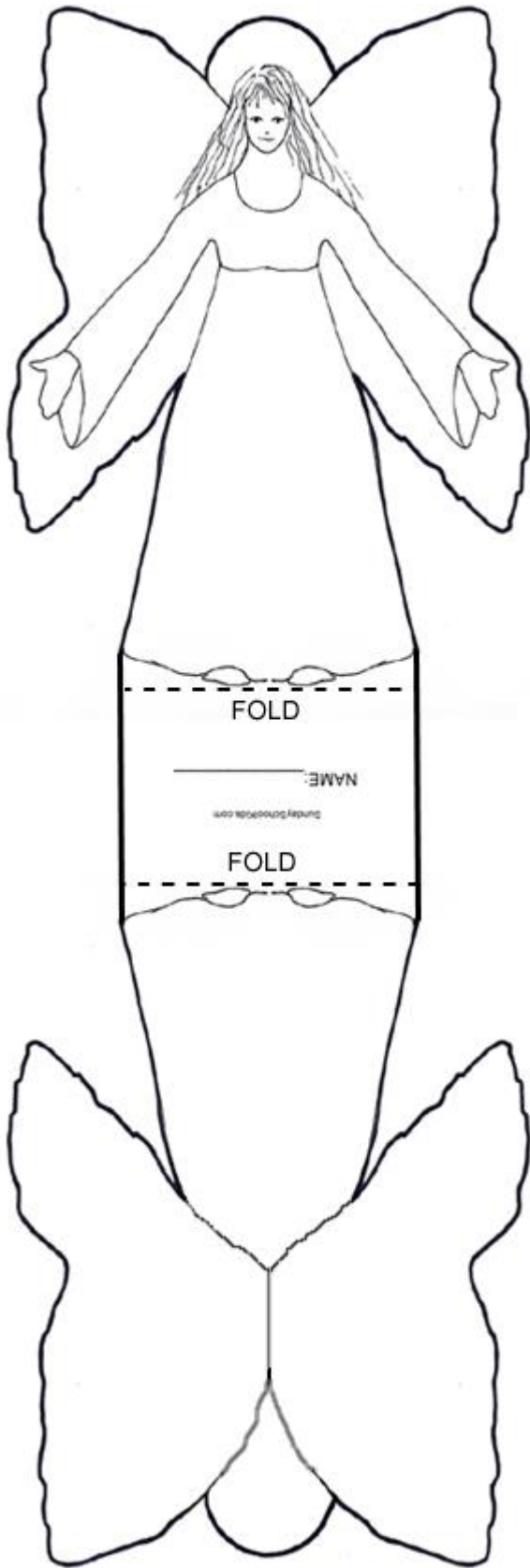
What to do:

1. Cut out the two stars and colour them.
2. Cut on one star's dotted line right up to the centre.
3. Slide the stars together, top to bottom.
4. Punch a hole at the top of the star and push the cord through to form a loop.



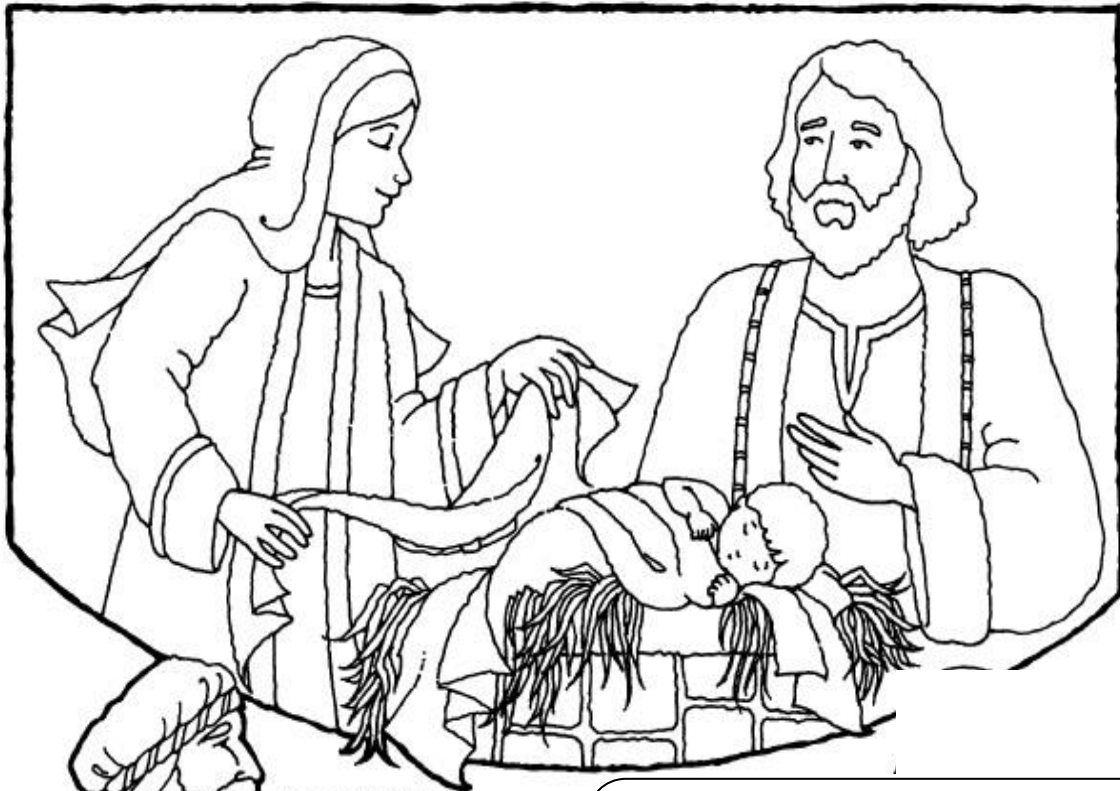


The Annunciation

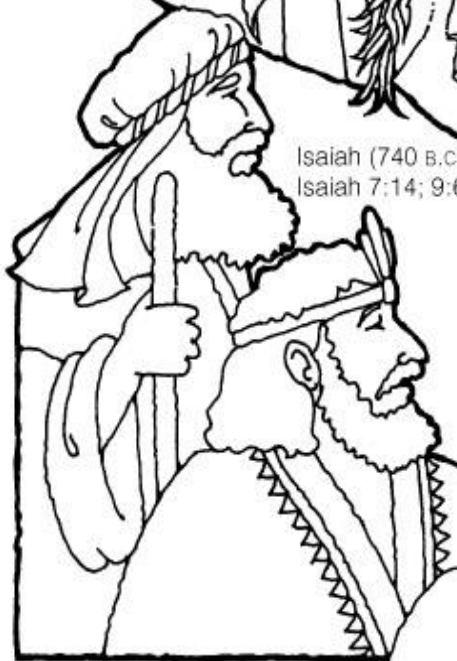


Use the Bible to look up the references of Isaiah and Micah, choosing one for each prophet and writing it into the speech bubbles below.

Prophets Foretold the Birth of Christ



Isaiah (740 B.C.)
Isaiah 7:14; 9:6



Micah (720 B.C.)
Micah 5:2

Speech bubble for Isaiah (740 B.C.)

Speech bubble for Micah (720 B.C.)



Art Activity (Page 1 of 2)

You will need:

- Black paper / White paper
- Star template
- Chalk or pastels
- Coloured image of Abraham or children can draw

Create a collage of the scene from the Bible. Use the stars below to as templates. In the largest star write the name Jesus.

Teacher should create a banner with the Bible Quote.

Art Activity (Page 2 of 2)

