



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF
BOGNOR REGIS AND SLINDON

We are followers of Jesus, on fire with his love,
sharing that love with each other and with the world.

Kids Church – Fourth Sunday of Advent

In the Gospel today, we are going to hear about how an Angel came to visit Mary. The Angel had some special news.

Try and remember a time when you were told some special news. Who told you? How did you feel? Tell your family and ask them what they remember about times when they have been told some exciting news.

Listen carefully to the Gospel and find out what the special news that the angel brought was and how Mary felt.

Wishing you a happy Christmas!

Katharine

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy God sent the angel Gabriel to a town in Galilee named Nazareth. He had a message for a young woman promised in marriage to a man named Joseph, who was a descendant of King David. Her name was Mary. The angel came to her and said, "Peace be with you! The Lord is with you and has greatly blessed you!"

Mary was deeply troubled by the angel's message, and she wondered what his words meant. The angel said to her, "Don't be afraid, Mary; God has been gracious to you. You will become pregnant and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High God. The Lord God will make him a king, as his ancestor David was, and he will be the king of the descendants of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end!"

Mary said to the angel, "I am a virgin. How, then, can this be?"

The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and God's power will rest upon you. For this reason, the holy child will be called the Son of God. Remember your relative Elizabeth. It is said that she cannot have children, but she herself is now six months pregnant, even though she is very old. For there is nothing that God cannot do."

"I am the Lord's servant," said Mary; "may it happen to me as you have said." And the angel left her.



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We reflect

- ✚ What was the special news that Mary was told?
- ✚ How do you think Mary felt when she heard this news?

Mary was frightened at first. Her life was going to change forever. But she trusted in God and said “yes” to all that God asked of her.

- ✚ What are the things that God asks us to do?
Share, love others, forgive
- ✚ Are those things sometimes difficult to do?
- ✚ How can we be messengers of Jesus at school, in our homes and in our community?

We respond

- ❖ *Draw or make an angel to remind you of the story –*

an easy one can be made from a toilet roll or roll of card (click on the link for instructions)



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- on the angel write what you are going to do to be a messenger of Christ e.g.

Share my toys

Write and deliver with my parent a Christmas Card to my neighbours

Forgive those who upset me

End this time by praying:

God of love,

help us to be your messengers on earth,

showing your love for all people in everything that we do.

Amen.

We go out

Each day before Christmas, be a messenger for Jesus by what you do and say....