

Hi Everyone

Hope you are all well and have enjoyed Christmas,

We are now in a time of year in Church called Epiphany.

This began with the Kings arriving.

Now it's time to find out what happened next.

Mary and Joseph escapes to Egypt

Matthew 2:13-14

A story for young Children

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ncToFabSwE>

For older Children

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IhUhUBbXFYo>

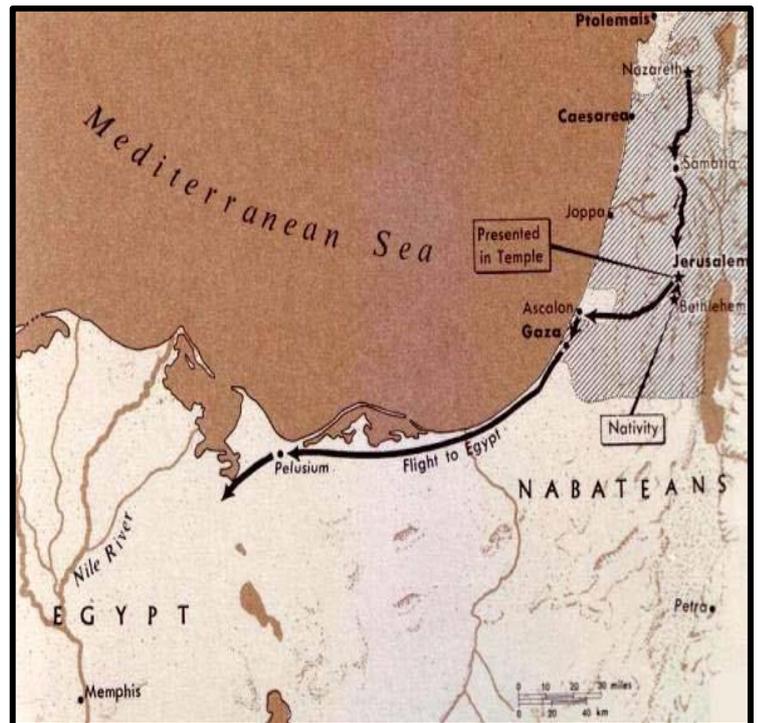
This Story is about people escaping from danger.

This is a map of the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Bethlehem (shown on the map as the nativity) to Egypt it was about 40 miles

It's probably as far as going to Chester zoo, although you would probably travel in a car.

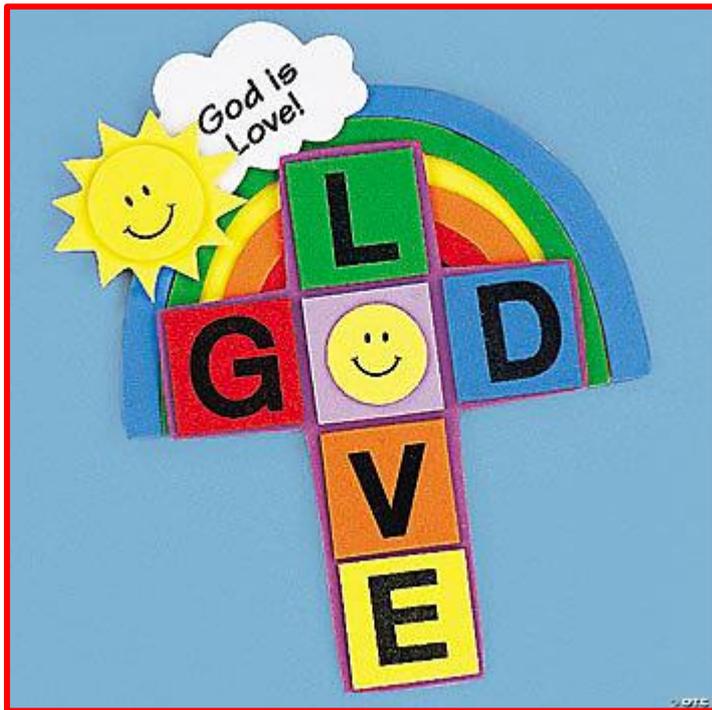
Mary and Joseph travelled with a donkey but walked most of the way.

I wonder how far you could walk?



We often hear on the news of people being Refugees from other countries, they are escaping violence or death. This still happens a lot to people even today.

Jesus was a refugee in a strange country. I wonder how you would feel being taken miles away from your country to a strange country where you knew nothing or no one?



God Loves us all.

I wonder if Jesus was born today would you offer him a place to stay? I wonder if you would help a homeless person or a Refugee in your community?

That's what God's Love is about, helping others when they need help.

I wonder what you could do to help people in your community? I wonder

if you could send a card to someone who has to stay at home. Maybe you could pray for someone who is sick? What about in your home, could you help your Mum and Dad with the Dishes or to tidy up These are all things that help people.



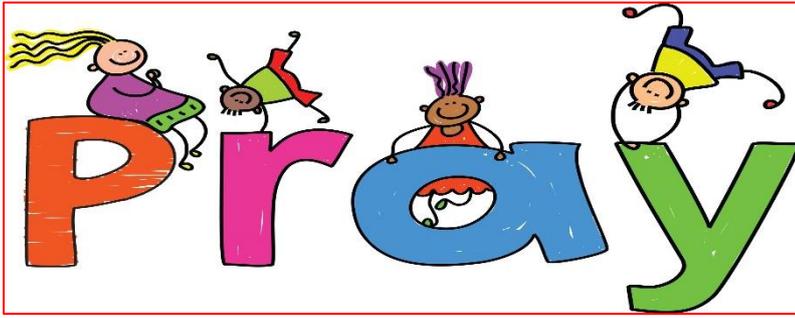
Songs

He's got the whole world in his hands

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=video+of+he%27s+got+the+whole+world+in+his+hands&docid=608027731646415878&mid=FFAE5E9E896403F6EE70FFAE5E9E896403F6EE70&view=detail&FORM=VIRE>

Our God is a Great Big God

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Joseph and Mary followed the stars when they travelled to Egypt.

We can use stars for our prayers.

You will need some paper, scissors, pencil.

Draw stars and then cut them out. Draw or write your prayer for people who are not in their own country and not in their own home on the stars.

You can also say the Lord's Prayer or listen to it on the attached video.

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=video+of+children+saying+the+lord%27s+prayer&&view=detail&mid=0DEC1B46D32DCCD98F060DEC1B46D32DCCD98F06&&FORM=VDRVRV>

Activities

Today's Crafts are going to be stars and Angels



Making Star Biscuits

- 350g plain flour
- 2 teaspoons ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
- 100g butter
- 175g soft light brown sugar

- 1 large egg
- 4 tablespoons golden syrup
- small chocolates or sweets, to decorate
- writing icing, to decorate



Method

Prep: 20min › Cook:15min › Ready in:35min

1. Preheat the oven to 180 C / Gas 4. Line a baking tray with baking parchment.
2. Sift the flour, ginger and bicarb into a large mixing bowl. Cut the butter into chunks with a blunt knife then add it to the bowl and stir it in so that it is coated in the flour.
3. Rub the butter into the flour with your fingers until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs then stir in the sugar.
4. Break the egg into a small bowl, then add the syrup. Mix together with a fork then stir the mixture into the flour.
5. Mix everything together until the mixture resembles a firm dough. Then sprinkle a clean surface with flour and put the dough onto it and knead for a few minutes until smooth.
6. Sprinkle more flour onto the work surface then roll out the dough on the surface until it is 5mm (1/4 inch) thick. Use a star-shaped biscuit cutter to cut out the stars. Squeeze the scraps then roll it out again and cut out more until the mixture is all used up.
7. Bake the biscuits for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Carefully lift them out onto a cooling rack and leave them to cool. Once cooled decorate with icing and sweets or chocolate.

Angel craft

Made around a wooden spoon

You will need

- A Wooden Spoon
- Several pieces of white paper
- Glue
- Doilies 1
- Tinsel or pipe cleaner
- Some wool for hair



Method

- Draw a face on the back of the spoon
take the white paper and fold it in half
then draw a dress on the paper and cut it out.
- Then take the two dresses and stick one to the back of the spoon and one on the front.

- Then take the doilies and cut it in half or take a piece of white paper and draw a circle cut it out and decorate the edge.
- Then cut it in half
- Then stick the two halves on the back dress to create the wings.
- Then use the wool and the tinsel or pipe cleaners to make hair and a halo for the Angel.

How to make a 3D Star

Below is a link for instructions in how to make a 3D star.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQAyYfGPidc&list=RDCMUC6j14zd-fJOqH9iJZ6T1BEw&start_radio=1&t=25

How to make an Angel

This is for older Children to try

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=video%27s+of+how+to+make+a+angel&&view=detail&mid=8335C567CA4B97B1213C8335C567CA4B97B1213C&rvsmid=AF84C439CC0D8C7575E1AF84C439CC0D8C7575E1&FORM=VDRVRV>

Hope you enjoy taking part in these activities

See you next week
Stay Safe

