

# St Mark's Parish

Sunday 26 December 2021

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

**WATCH  
TODAY'S  
YOUTUBE  
KIDS GOSPEL**



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youtu.be/  
LjPPxJ2IfvI](https://youtu.be/LjPPxJ2IfvI)

PRAYER FOR

## *Families*

Loving God,  
During this holy season of Christmas,  
we ask for your blessing on all families.  
Let Mary's openness to your wondrous ways be  
an inspiration to place all trust in you.  
Let Joseph's courage provide hope during  
times of anxiety and uncertainty.  
Let Jesus' life ignite all families with a spirit  
of light and love.  
May the grace that encircled the Holy Family  
widen to embrace all families.  
For this we pray.  
Amen.



# Children's Liturgy



*There wasn't any room for Mary and Joseph to stay in Bethlehem, so they had to go to a stable outside the town. Can you help them find their way?*

# The Holy Family Puzzle

Unscramble the letters to fill in the blanks.  
Use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks with  
numbers part-way down.


Every year Jesus and His  (NTSPRAE) went to Jerusalem for the  
 (SVOPSARE) festival.  
When  (SUJES) was twelve, they  
went to the  (LFSETVIA)  
as usual, but Jesus stayed in the  (MPELET)  
afterwards.  (RMYA) and Joseph thought He was with their relatives in the  
caravan, but when they couldn't  (DNIF) Him they went back and  
 (CHDEASRE) for Him.  
On the  (HDRIT) day they found him. When they asked Jesus why He had done this,  
He replied, "Did you not  (WNKO) that I must be in my  
\_\_\_\_\_?  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12



Then he went home with them to  
 (ZRNATHEA) and was  
obedient to them, and grew up in  (DSIWMO)  
and age and grace.

# SAINT JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS

ST. JOSEPH WAS A HOLY MAN WHO BELIEVED IN GOD AND FOLLOWED HIS LAWS. HE WAS ENGAGED TO MARY WHEN HE FOUND OUT SHE WAS PREGNANT.



BUT AN ANGEL CAME TO HIM AND TOLD HIM TO NOT BE AFRAID- THE BABY WAS THE SON OF GOD.



AT THAT TIME THE EMPEROR ORDERED EVERYONE TO REGISTER IN THEIR HOMETOWN.

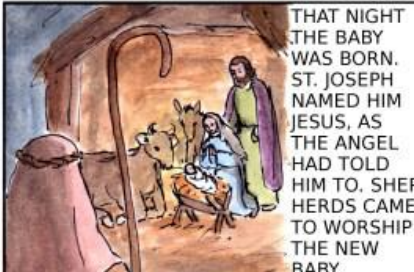



SO JOSEPH TOOK MARY AND TRAVELLED TO BETHLEHEM.

BUT WHEN THEY GOT THERE THE INNS WERE FULL.



FINALLY THEY FOUND A STABLE WITH ANIMALS WHERE THEY COULD STAY.

GOD CHOSE SAINT JOSEPH, A GOOD AND HUMBLE MAN, TO BE THE PROTECTOR OF HIS SON JESUS AND JESUS' MOTHER, MARY. IT WASN'T AN EASY JOB- THEY HAD TO TRAVEL FAR ON FOOT AND STAY IN A STABLE WITH ANIMALS, BUT SAINT JOSEPH WAS HAPPY TO SUFFER FOR LOVE OF GOD. ARE YOU?



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