

# CHILDREN'S LITURGY ONLINE

## 26 DECEMBER 2021

### CHRIST COMES TO THE WORLD JOHN 1:1-18

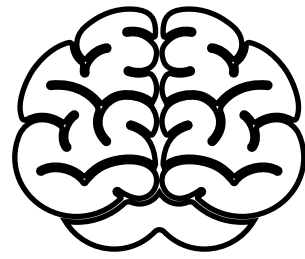
Before the world began, there was the Word. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. All things were made through him. Nothing was made without him. In him there was life. That life was light for the people of the world. The Light shines in the darkness. And the darkness has not overpowered the Light.

There was a man named John who was sent by God. He came to tell people about the Light. Through him all people could hear about the Light and believe. John was not the Light, but he came to tell people about the Light. The true Light was coming into the world. The true Light gives light to all.

The Word was in the world. The world was made through him, but the world did not know him. He came to the world that was his own. But his own people did not accept him. But some people did accept him. They believed in him. To them he gave the right to become children of God. They did not become his children in the human way. They were not born because of the desire or wish of some man. They were born of God.

The Word became a man and lived among us. We saw his glory—the glory that belongs to the only Son of the Father. The Word was full of grace and truth. John told about him. He said, "This is the One I was talking about. I said, 'The One who comes after me is greater than I am. He was living before me.'"

The Word was full of grace and truth. From him we all received more and more blessings. The law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No man has ever seen God. But God the only Son is very close to the Father. And the Son has shown us what God is like.



# THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Can you name all the different people involved in the Christmas story?


Apart from the baby Jesus, who is your favourite character?


Why are they your favourite?


The birth of Jesus was an extraordinary event - God becoming human. What are some of the things in the Christmas story that tell us something extraordinary is happening?


The angels told the shepherds that the Saviour was born. What is a saviour? How can a little baby be our saviour?


# ACTIVITIES

## ACTIVITY 1:

### NATIVITY ROCKS:

IDEA FROM: <https://rainydaymum.co.uk/diy-nativity-story-stones/>

### WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Flat stones
- Chalk pens
- Modge podge paint (to keep the pictures strong)
- Black Sharpie

### WHAT TO DO:

1. Draw the outlines of the characters in black Sharpie.
2. Use the chalk pens to fill in your black outlines.
3. Use the Mod Podge to give the stones a coat and allow to fully dry.

## ACTIVITY 2:

### BROWNIE TREES

IDEA FROM: <https://www.taste.com.au/recipes/brownie-christmas-tree/YDXduhFW?r=recipes/christmasrecipesforkids&c=dcw1ktib/Christmas%20recipes%20for%20kids>

## ACTIVITY 3:

Colouring in from: <https://www.crayola.com/free-coloring-pages/print/nativity-manger-coloring-page/>

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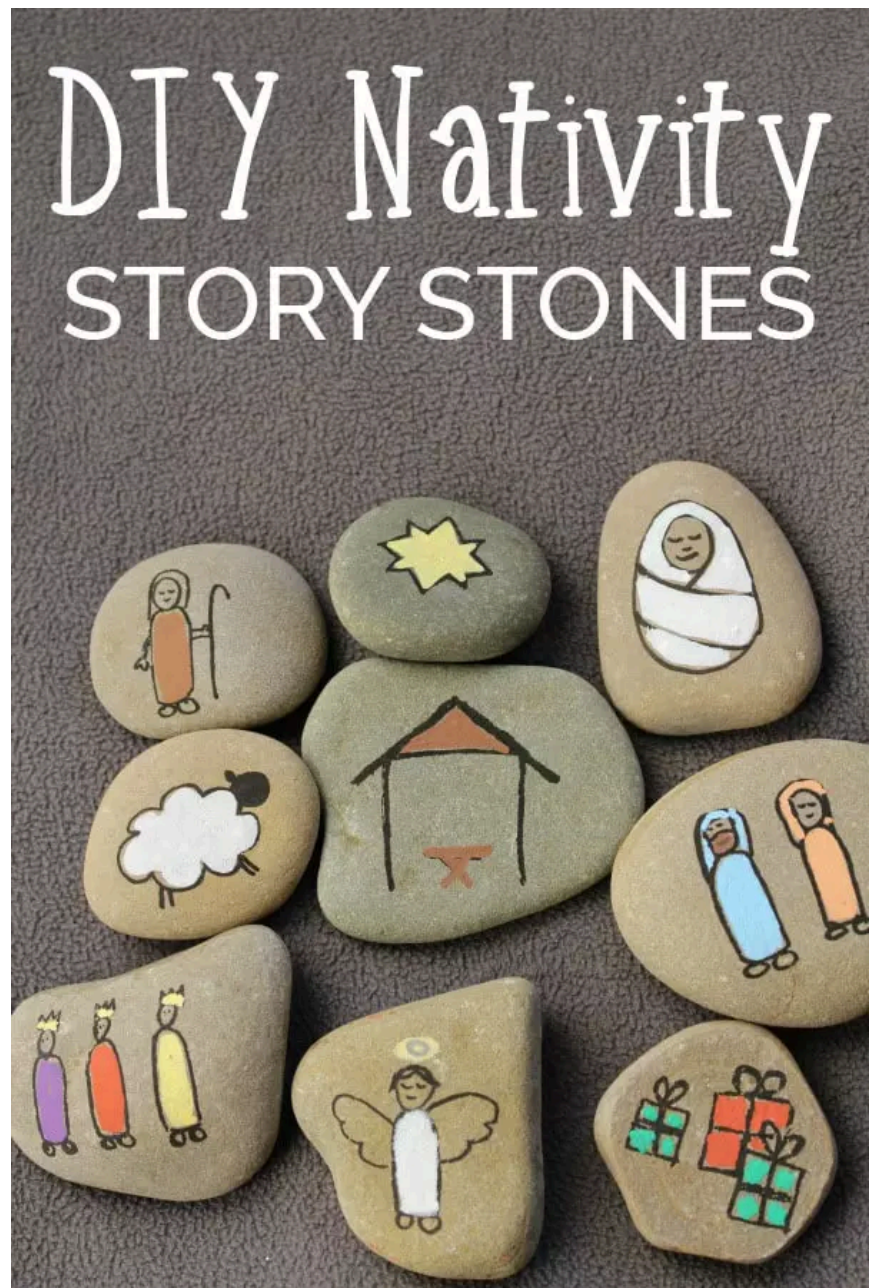
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# ACTIVITY 2

## WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Brownie Mix
- Icing mix
- Green liquid food colouring
- M&M's Minis, Sugar stars, Sprinkles, 100's and 1000's, to decorate
- 12 candy canes for the trunks

## WHAT TO DO:

1. Cook the brownies as directed
2. Place the brownie on a clean work surface. Use a large serrated knife to trim outside edges of brownie. Cut in half. Cut each half into 6 triangles, about 10cm long and 6cm wide.
3. Tint the icing green using green food colouring.
4. Spread green icing over the top of the brownie triangles
5. Decorate the brownie triangles with M&M's, sugar stars, sprinkles and 100's and 1000's. Remove the round end of each candy cane.
6. Attach the remaining candy cane to the base of each brownie triangle to make a Christmas tree.



