

FAMILY RESOURCES

THE SHEPHERDS

THE GOSPEL READING FOR THIS WEEK IS: Nativity (Luke 2: 1-14)

Core extract from the Gospel (Luke 2: 8-11; for reflection throughout the week)

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields,
keeping watch over their flock by night.
Then an angel of the Lord stood before them,
and the glory of the Lord shone around them,
and they were terrified.
But the angel said to them,
‘Do not be afraid; for see –
I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people:
to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour,
who is the Messiah, the Lord.’

Gospel prayer (for use throughout the week)

Lord Jesus Christ,
the shepherds rejoiced at your birth.
Today you invite us to join
with the shepherds in celebration.
Accept the praise of our hearts,
as we offer ourselves in your service;
this Christmastide and always.
Amen.

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Things to think about

- Why do you think the shepherds were the first people to hear about the birth of Jesus?
- Would you like to be a shepherd?
- Do you think it would be difficult or easy job to do?

Things to do

- Research how shepherds look after their sheep.
- Play a game hiding and looking for soft toy sheep
- Moving angel and shepherds picture

You will need: card, scissors, paper fastener, pencils,



Draw a hillside scene with shepherds looking up at the sky. Punch a hole at the bottom of the card.



On a separate piece of card, draw an angel and cut it out.

Slice the hillside scene as shown in red on the photo

Attach a strip of card to the angel and thread through the slit.



Use the paper fastener to attach the paper strip to the picture.

Slide the angel from side to side using the strip.

Why not share your creations with us? We would love to see what you have been up to! Please email any photos to education@liverpoolcathedral.org.uk or tag @LivCathedral on social media.

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