

What do we Celebrate at Christmas?



- The birth of Jesus
- Jesus fully God and fully human
- God's promise to send a Saviour fulfilled
- The promise made to Mary at the Annunciation fulfilled
- The gift of hope and true peace

Being Creative – Making a crib/manger

- Find something you can use for the crib – box, tin, foam sheet, cardboard – anything- be creative
- Fill with straw, rolled up paper, tissue paper – once again be creative
- Use a doll, crib figure , wrap in a cloth and place in crib
- Place other figures nearby- shepherds, animals, (Wise men on 6th January)
- Have a Crib Blessing Ceremony in your home
- Keep your crib on display until the Feast of Baptism of Jesus (10 January 2021) This feast marks the end of the Christmas Season



Blessing the Crib

- *Make the Crib the centre of your home*
- *Learn about the origins of the crib*
- *Read the story of the first Christmas*
- *Allow the Word of God into your heart*
- *Bless the Crib*
- *Pray for others*
- *Be thankful for the*

