

What should I already know?

- How to make the Sign of the Cross and its use in the sacrament of Baptism
- The story of Jesus’s birth, Mary and her role in Jesus’ birth
- The story of the Annunciation
- That God is our Father in Heaven

What will I know at the end of the unit?

- Describe the mystery of God as Trinity, using religious words.
- Describe what the stories of the Annunciation, visit of the shepherds/wise men, tells us all about Jesus.
- Describe some religious symbols of Advent and Christmas.
- Talk about and ask questions about God as three in one.
- Ask and answer questions about the feelings of the characters in the stories.
- Ask and answer questions about what Advent and the Christmas story can teach them about the virtues of patience, generosity and kindness.
- Recognise that some questions are hard to answer.
- Retell the Annunciation or the visit of the shepherds/wise men.
- Give 4 examples of how the Christmas story is used in church and at home.
- Suggest answers to questions such as ‘Is it better to be a wise man or shepherd?’
- Explore a question like ‘what’s the best thing about Christmas?’ Why?

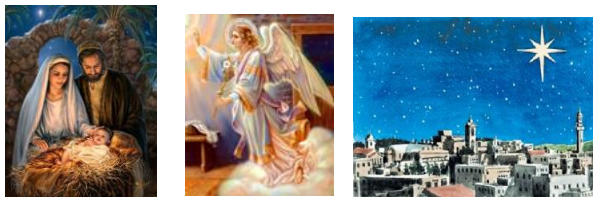
Key Vocabulary

Advent	Season in the church’s year when we get ready for God.
Adore	To love and praise somebody.
Annunciation	When Angel Gabriel told Mary that she was to give birth to Jesus
Engaged	When two people promise to marry each other.
Glory	Praise
Holy Spirit	The third person of the Holy Trinity
Manger	A wooden box that has grass in it for animals to eat.
Mystery	A mystery is something we can worry about.
Praise	To tell someone that they are really good at something.
Saviour	A name for Jesus, because he came to save everyone.
Trinity	God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
Advent Wreath	A circle of leaves or flowers



We will be using artwork and drama to help us to reflect during this topic.

Key people and places



People: Mary, Angel Gabriel, Jesus
Place: Bethlehem

Key Scripture

Luke 1: 26-31, 38
Matthew 1 :18-25
Luke 2: 1-20
Matthew 2:1-12

Key Prayers

Sign of the Cross
Hail Mary

Books to read at home

