



Messy Christingle

Theme – Christmas & Christingle

Many thanks to Jordan Bentliff (St John Mexborough & St Margaret Swinton) for sharing this Messy session

Story – Explanation of the history and the use of the Christingle relating to the Christmas story.

Activities

Christingle



The Christingle has been a Church tradition over the Christmas period for many years. As we make the Christingle we remember many aspects of the Christmas story, the orange represents the earth, the red ribbon represent the blood of Christ, the light represents the light of the world, and the sweets represents the many gift that God has given us throughout the four seasons.

Requires:

Oranges

Cocktail sticks

Jelly babies dolly mix

Candles

Red tape

Christmas Cards

At this time of year it is important that we remember everyone that we love and hold close to our hearts. There are many ways that we can show our love to these people, one such way is to write a card to wish them well this Christmas time. Why don't you write a Christmas card to somebody that you love?

Requires:

Card & envelope

Stickers / gems / pom poms etc

Pens

Felt Tips

Advent Wreath



Last month we learnt all about advent and we looked at the different candles used in the advent wreath. As we prepare for Christmas, we light a different candle every week and one on Christmas day. The candles represent: Hope, Peace, Joy, Love and as we light the final candle in the centre on Christmas day we remember the birth of Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

Requires:

Playdough

Candles

Tealight

Glitter

Lollipop-stick decorations



At Christmas time we will often decorate our trees and homes with baubles and other decorations, why not decorate your Christmas tree with something that will remind you of the Christmas story.

Encourage the children to get creative and ask what their decoration has to do with the Christmas story

Requires:

Lollipop sticks

PVA

String

Gems

Pipe cleaners

Jesse Tree - Advent Baubles

As we have progressed through the advent season and prepared our hearts for Christmas, we have explored the journey up to the birth of Jesus in Church. Each of these baubles that you can decorate represent a different part of the story that lead up towards the birth of Jesus. Why don't you colour in some and take them home for your Christmas tree? You can ask your helper which bible character the bauble represents and think about that story whenever you see the bauble on your Christmas tree.

Available from

<https://catholicsprouts.com/jesse-tree-ornaments-to-print-and-color/>

<https://nomadicpoetrystudio.wordpress.com/2015/11/24/jesse-tree-free-printable-ornamentsadvent-colouring-pages/>

Requires:

Felt tips

Pencils

String

Hole punch

Colouring sheets

Basic resources

- Pens
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Double sided tape
- Gems / stickers

- Coffee sticks / lollipop sticks
- Paint
- Sponges
- Wipes

Assortment of Christmas carols to end the celebration