

Sunday, December 24, 2023

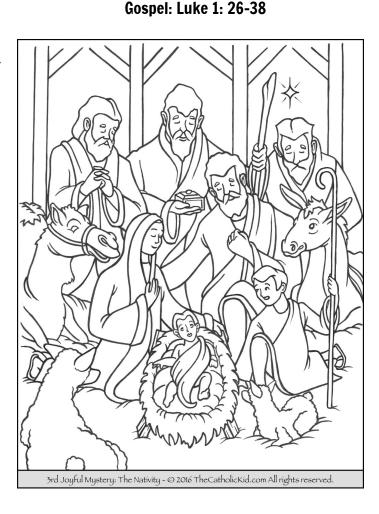
The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord has arrived! Do you have a nativity scene in your home? Gaze upon your nativity scene or the one depicted here, and pray this Nativity Scene prayer as a family:



"Be not afraid; for behold,

I bring you good news of great joy
which will come to all the people;
for to you is born this day in the
city of David a Savior,
who is Christ the Lord."

-Luke 2:10-11



FAMILY TIME

At the dinner table, in the car, we talk about our faith, wherever we are!



In this week's Gospel, the Archangel Gabriel appears to Mary and tells her of God's plan for her to give birth to the Son of Man so that the Kingdom of God can be renewed and endure forever!

FAMILY DISCUSSION & PRAYER: Mary is "greatly troubled" but she agrees to God's plan: "Behond, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Notice the Archangel Gabriel's words of greeting: "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you."

- Discuss a time when it was challenging or even frightening to do God's will. How were you able to find the courage you needed?
- As a family, pray a decade of the Rosary. Ask Mary to intercede for your family by always giving you the courage to follow God's will, even when it's challenging or frightening.

Psalm 89: "Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord."

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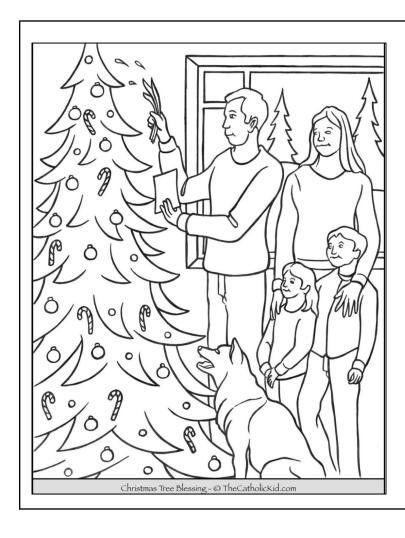


Let us create...

Hey, artists! Check **Drawing Closer to God**. Art teacher Ms Kim teaches children to draw different scenes from the Christmas story, including the Annunciation, the shepherds' visit, the Nativity scene, and more. With compelling storytelling, Ms. Kim points out key details from Scripture and Catholic tradition.

Drawing Closer to God







The Christmas tree is a symbol of the life and light Christ brought to the world at His birth.

Did you know that you can bless your Christmas tree?

Check out this beautiful Christmas tree blessing:

