

CHILDREN'S PACK

THE NATIVITY



Barocci, Federico ~ The Nativity, 1597, oil on canvas, Museo del Prado, Madrid

SPECIAL PARAGRAPHS

Angels from Heaven appeared in the sky. They sang, “Glory to God in the highest. Peace on earth to men of good will.”

Some **shepherds** – men who take care of sheep – saw the angels. The shepherds were afraid. “Do not be afraid,” said the angels. “We have good news for you and for all people. Today in Bethlehem a Saviour has been born! You will find Him lying in a manger.” Then the angels left.

The shepherds were amazed. They said “Let us go to Bethlehem and see this Child about whom the angels have spoken.”

The shepherds hurried away and found Jesus, Mary and Joseph. They knelt down to worship their Saviour. To worship means to give your best love and praise to God. The shepherds remembered to thank God the Father for sending us His Son.

SING: AWAY IN A MANGER

Away in a manger,
No crib for His bed
The little Lord Jesus
Laid down His sweet head

The stars in the bright sky
Looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing
The poor Baby wakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes

I love Thee, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side,
'Til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus,
I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever
And love me I pray

Bless all the dear children
In Thy tender care
And take us to heaven
To live with Thee there

CATECHISM QUESTION 25 and 26

Q. 25	<p><i>Who is Jesus Christ?</i></p> <p>Jesus Christ is the second Person of the Holy Trinity, the Son of God made man.</p> <p><i>(Catechism of the Catholic Church 454, 495)</i></p>
Q. 26	<p><i>Why did the Son of God become man?</i></p> <p>The Son of God became man to save us from sin and to regain Heaven for us.</p> <p><i>(Catechism of the Catholic Church 457-58).</i></p>
Q. 24	<p><i>Where was Jesus Christ born?</i></p> <p>Jesus Christ was born in a stable in Bethlehem, and was placed in a manger.</p> <p><i>(Catechism of the Catholic Church 525; Luke 2:7)</i></p>

WORD SEARCH

Name _____

Can you find these words in the puzzle? Look carefully! The words go across and down.

BETHLEHAM
MANGER
SHEPHERDS
CHRISTMAS
JESUS

BIRTHDAY
MARY
JOSEPH
SAVIOUR

X	C	H	R	I	S	T	M	A	S
X	B	I	R	T	H	D	A	Y	A
X	J	X	X	X	E	X	X	X	V
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