

# Topic: The Birth of Jesus/ Jesus Grows Up

Family Small Group for FHC Cycle Week 1.11 (November 19, 2023)

<b>1. Opening Prayer</b> <i>Pray these prayers morning and night or more over the next 2 weeks to help your student learn it.</i>		<b>2. Story Time</b> <i>Read the bible story below in your Illustrated Children's Bible.</i>	
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen		<b>Bible Story: Joseph</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Illustrated Children's Bible:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The Birth of Jesus pages 184-189,</li><li>○ Jesus Grows Up 190-195</li></ul></li></ul>	
<b>Hail Mary</b> Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen			
<b>3. Formed Video</b> <i>Before clicking on the link below, you will want to log in to your FORMED account or be ready with your userid / password to log in after clicking the link below.</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="https://watch.formed.org/videos/lukas-storyteller-the-true-meaning-of-christmas">https://watch.formed.org/videos/lukas-storyteller-the-true-meaning-of-christmas</a></li></ul>			
<b>4. Activity</b>			
<b><u>Search and find in Scripture</u></b> There are many parts of our faith in the readings for this week. See if you can find and highlight the following in your Illustrated Bible: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>The Magnificat</b> (hint: it's the prayer of Mary after greeting Elizabeth. Pgs 185 and 188)</li><li>2. <b>The Hail Mary (first part)</b></li><li>3. <b>The first part of the Gloria we sing in mass</b></li><li>4. <b>The gifts the wise men brought to Jesus</b></li><li>5. <b>Simeon's prophecy to Mary and Joseph about Jesus.</b></li></ol> <p>The Magnificat is a beautiful prayer of Mary. Copy it and pray it as often as you can as we wait for Jesus during Advent.</p>			
<b>5. Sacrament Book Readings</b> <i>Read through the pages below with your student based on their grade level.</i>			
<b>Grades 1-3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• none</li></ul>		<b>Grades 4-6</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• none</li></ul>	
<b>Discussion Questions</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What was the difference between Zachariah's response to Gabriel and Mary's response?</li><li>2. What does "full of grace" mean?</li><li>3. How many times can you find St. Joseph speaking in the readings?</li></ol>			

## 5. Closing

As a family, discuss your current prayer intentions and take a moment to pray together. Advent is around the corner. Begin talking about special things you will do during Advent to prepare for Jesus' birth.