

**St Joseph's
Pudsey**

Travelling Crib

2014 Diary

Could you offer Mary and Joseph a room for the night?

This journey symbolises Mary and Joseph's difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem before the birth of Jesus.

The idea behind the diary is so as many people as possible can join in the journey, even if you are unable to have the crib in your home.

We have 2 cribs that are travelling around the parish during Advent.

All diary entries will be posted in this diary.



Keep coming back to see what has been happening on its travels.

30 November 2014

We were very lucky to have the crib on the first day of Advent. Daniel and Thomas went up to the altar after mass to collect the crib from Father Richard.

The boys set up the crib, we lit the candle, said the prayer and sang the song. We chatted about the true meaning of Christmas.

This is a very special Christmas for us as it is our new baby Oliver's first Christmas, and the first we will spend in our new home. We thought about how lucky we are and prayed for those less fortunate.



The boys had been to a Christmas party and had their faces painted!

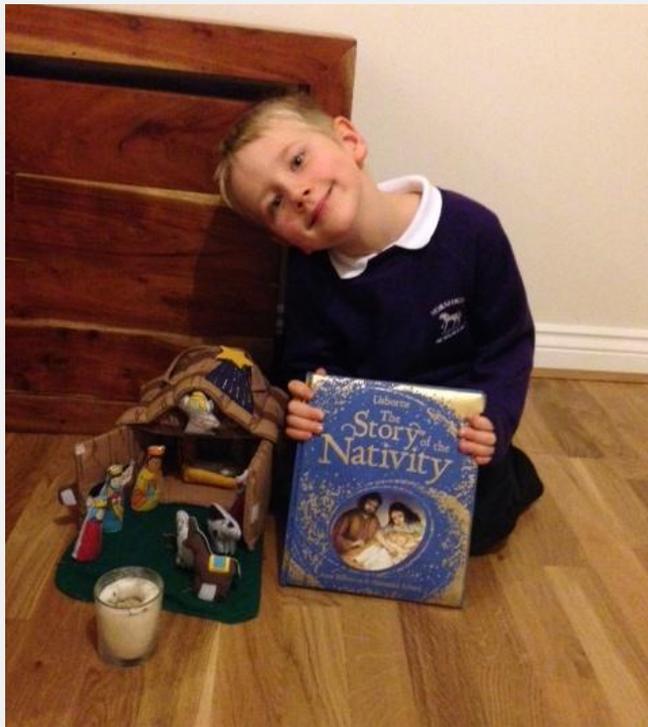
30 November 2014



Kate, Stephen, Daniel, Thomas and Oliver Kelly

1 December 2014

It is always a joy to welcome the travelling crib into our home. Matthew unpacked the crib and set it up beautifully. We lit the candle, sung the song, paused for thought and then read the prayer and the Story of the Nativity. We talked about the meaning of Christmas and how important it is to love and be loved.



Giles, Helen and Matthew Hart.

1 December 2014

Taking time to set the Crib up, light the candle and say the prayer all showed me the start of the Advent Season had come. To stop and spend time with the Best Christmas Gift of all.
Peace to Everyone.

Linda Harrison.

2 December 2014

What a pleasure to share as a family to look after the crib. The boys enjoyed unpacking and creating the story of the birth of baby Jesus. For the boys to understand the true meaning of Christmas and how lucky we are for all the things that we have in our life. It was also lovely to meet Helen.

With love,

The Pryal Family xx

5 December 2014

The girls were excited to receive the crib tonight and enjoyed setting it up. We read the story and discussed the real meaning of Christmas. Ava then wanted to read the story so Grace used the figures to act it out. We lit the candle and discussed it's meaning. It was lovely to take time to stop and think about what Christmas really means.

Joline, Grace and Ava Scott.

7 December 2014

We collected the crib after Sunday mass. In the evening Daisy and Sam set up the stable, we lit the candle and sang the song. We spoke about the true meaning of Christmas before saying the prayer. The children loved the Christmas story and asked many questions. We enjoyed having the crib in our home.

Thank you

The Stasiak Family

3 Wise Men by Sam age 3



8 December 2014

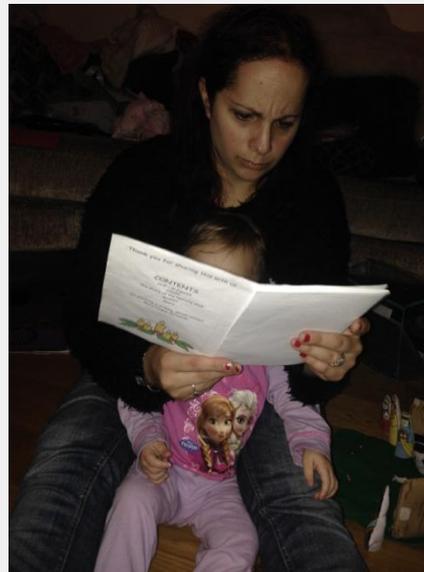
Justina, Mary, Alice and Stephanie were excited to set-up and play with the crib after school. We read the story and prayer and other dairy entries. Stephanie loved the sheep! Best wishes to all families this Christmas. Nice to be in touch with new people and personally receive and pass on the crib.

The Holden Family

9 December 2014

It was a great experience as this year Agnès helped us set up the crib, then stayed quietly in my arms during the song, prayer and story. It's a brilliant idea to take time off usual routine to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.

The Doubles



10 December 2014

It was lovely to come together as a family, sit quietly and reflect on the story of Christmas. We normally lead such busy lives so even 15 minutes to sit and think about Christmas together was really very special.

The Goodwin Family

The End

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