

Travelling Crib

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

It is a lovely, unique way to help families prepare for Christmas.

The Travelling Crib is blessed in church on the 1st Sunday of Advent and then is taken home by a family who plays host to the nativity characters for the night, reading the Christmas story together. The next day they pass on the crib to another family. This journey symbolises Mary and Joseph's difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem before the birth of Jesus.

What will it be like to make room in your home for these special guests for the night?

To stop what you're doing and take time to read with your children the story of Jesus' birth.

It will be an opportunity too for families to get to know each other a little better as they receive and then deliver on the crib.

The last family will bring the crib back to mass on Christmas Eve / Christmas morning.

All are welcome to participate in this activity which provides an opportunity for a short act of worship during which a candle is lit to signify our travellers have a home for the night.

There will also be a Travelling Crib Diary which will be posted on the parish website. Even if you are unable to host the crib you will be able to follow its journey through Advent.

If you would like the Travelling Crib to come into your home, see the parish newsletter for when names will be collected. (Usually beginning of November)

