



St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Father Craig has requested that I send this letter to you, on his behalf. He is really keen to bring the children in the parish into the church, on Christmas Eve, in a way that is meaningful to them and in a way that will create lasting memories.

He has, therefore, enlisted support from our parishioners and has put in place the following, for your child/ren to be part of:

- a special children's Mass, at St Mary of the Angels Church at 5pm on Christmas Eve.
- the chance for your child to arrive at Mass, **dressed up in any costume which links to the Christmas Story**: E.g a shepherd, a king, an angel, a star, Mary, Joseph etc (no spider men thanks!)
- the use of the Children's lectionary, which records the biblical stories (readings and gospel) at an age appropriate level.

Please, please support him. He is trying to give you and your child/ren the opportunity to belong, and to feel that vital link between the wonderful celebration that is Christmas, and the message of God -sending His only Son to save us.

Staff from school will not be there in any official capacity, so Father Craig has asked that, as this is a Family Mass, all children will need an adult in the church throughout the service.

All children are invited, of any age, but if you would like your **KS2 child to be involved as a reader**, please complete the proforma below, by Thursday 19/12, at the latest; these will be selected on a first come first serve basis.

Kind regards

C.M.O'Hara

I would like my KS2 child _____ to be considered for a reading/bidding prayer, at the Christmas Eve Mass, at 5pm, at St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church.

Signed _____