

THE POSADA IN THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KING'S LYNN

*A ritual re-enactment of Mary and Joseph's search for a lodging in Bethlehem,
performed just before Christmas.*

***Due to Covid 19 pandemic lockdown and restrictions leading up to Christmas,
please download and print off the picture of the Posada so you have it in your home.***

As you receive the figure of Mary, Joseph and the donkey into your home as part of their Posada journey this Advent, please pray together as a family and/or with friends and neighbours. You can, of course, make up your own prayers, or say the joyful mysteries of the Rosary together.

Bible Reading: It is suggested that you read one of the following Bible stories:

- Luke 1: 26-38** Mary receives news from the Angel Gabriel that she is to bear a son.
Matthew 1: 18-25 Joseph is told in a dream of Mary's pregnancy.
Luke 2: 8-20 The visit of the shepherds.
Matthew 2: 1-11 The visit of the Magi.



A Prayer for Families:

We pray for families around the world.
For the family of our parish community.
For our own families.
For families who are separated at this time of year.
For those with no family:
that Christmas may be a time of preparation and thought;
that Jesus will be at the centre of our lives;
that we may unite and forgive each other;
that we may look forward with confidence,
showing true love for one another.
Amen.

A Prayer of Hope:

Leader: Jesus, born in a stable
All: Bring hope to the homeless
Leader: Jesus, child of Mary and Joseph
All: Bring hope to all families
Leader: Jesus, light of the world
All: Bring hope to the dark places of this world
Leader: Jesus, bearer of peace
All: Bring hope to those suffering from conflict and war
Leader: Jesus, who fled to another country
All: Bring hope to all refugees
Leader: Jesus, who was hungry in the desert
All: Bring hope to the poor and starving
Leader: Jesus, who died for us
All: Bring hope to those near death
Leader: Jesus, Son of God, Messiah
All: Bring us hope this Christmas.
Amen





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