



# Children's Ministry News

(ages 3-11)



Dear Friends,

Here are some details of resources which might help in your planning for Advent. Enjoy!

If you have any **queries** relating to it please drop me an email or pick up the phone.

Have a very blessed Christmas as you celebrate the birth of our King!

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(If you no longer wish to receive this email please reply changing the subject to 'No thank you')



## Songs to use with families



'Action packed Praise2'

DVD & CD with 15 songs/CD 5 backing tracks and 5 Stories dramatised on DVD.  
**£14.00**

Check out John's [website](http://www.johnhardwick.org.uk), we had a great fun filled time in Monmouth on Monday evening with him. If you missed it, you won't want to next time:

**'John was very inspiring and gave me loads of ideas for today's assembly'** (A cleric who was at the training session)

**NEW! 'Action Packed Christmas'** just out!

This has all sorts of clips for use over the Christmas period including songs, puppet fun, drama, and a re-telling of the Christmas story. **£10 if you let me know and I'll pick one up on Sunday from him!**

[www.johnhardwick.org.uk](http://www.johnhardwick.org.uk)

**Loan either from the Diocesan Resource Library!**



## Advent & Christmas



*Creative Ideas for Advent and Christmas* comes with a wealth of inspirational easy to do ideas for the busy weeks that lead up to Christmas. Many of the ideas can be slotted into any situation, used to illustrate the story of Christmas, or just done for pure enjoyment as part of the exciting 'getting ready' time. The activities are ideal for children aged 4-11 but can be enjoyed by all ages!

Ideas include:

- Community events
- Recipes for Christmas Cooking
- Creative ways to pray
- Christmas Card Crafts
- Simple Decorations
- Games
- Opportunities to celebrate at home

[www.barnabusinchurches.org.uk](http://www.barnabusinchurches.org.uk)

**Only £8.99!**

**Loan me from the Diocesan Resource Library!**



## Christmas Bauble Books



Hang me from your tree as a reminder of what Christmas is about.

Great as prizes if you're holding a family event over Christmas or as a gift for children in church.

Each book has 10 full colour pages. **99p each!**

[www.scriptureunion.org.uk](http://www.scriptureunion.org.uk)



## Nativity Animations

Thanks to Dan Jones from Bristol Diocese for these animations on line, all downloadable – go to:

[http://www.going4growth.org.uk/growth\\_through\\_the\\_year/christmas/nativity\\_animations/](http://www.going4growth.org.uk/growth_through_the_year/christmas/nativity_animations/)

A Christmas Poem A powerful poem from UCCF retelling the reality of the Christmas Story

Christmas in a nutshell A very clever animation of the story

The Christmas Story Short, simple retelling of the story from Dan Stevens

Birth to Cross A white line on a black background= draws you into the story from Bethlehem to Calvary

Hallelujah Drawing the journey of shepherds and kings to Bethlehem

He chose the shepherds A song from the makers of Friends and Heroes which follows the shepherds' story

The Adventures of Mary & Joseph This is part of Paperless Christmas and offers a modern twist on the ancient story



## Messy Church Day

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 10-2pm      £3 including lunch!**

**St Mary's Church Hall, Risca, NP11 6GS**

To **book a place** please contact **Linda Colley** on **01633 263510** by **12noon Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec**



## Check the website for updates....

Please check this **regularly** for up to date information.

<http://www.churchinwales.org.uk/monmouth/living/children/>

### ...The resources library!

Resources can be borrowed from the library at the Diocesan Office for up to 6 weeks. It's easy!

**Come and browse between 9-5 any week day.**