

Ordinary couple

"Let this happen to me as you say!"

(Luke 1:38 International Children's Bible)

Ordinary shepherds

"Let's see for ourselves what God has revealed to us."

(Luke 2:15 The Message)

God in the ordinary December

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Ordinary birth

"The time came for her to have the baby."

(Luke 2:6 Easy to Read Version)

Ordinary stargazers

"On their way they saw the same star they had seen in the East."

(Matthew 2:9 Good News Translation)

I wonder why God chose Mary and Joseph. Chat about it together.

Take a family selfie and think about what makes you and your family extraordinary.

Make a Mary, Joseph, Angel, and Donkey to start your nativity set – see overleaf for ideas.

Plan to do something helpful around the home.

Find something ordinary that is small enough to fit in this space.

Plan who to give a card or gift to for Christmas – pray for each name as you write your list.

Count how many times you say 'yes' or 'no' today.

I wonder why God became one of us. Chat about it together.

Make a nativity, manger, and baby Jesus to complete your nativity.

Write a tiny prayer and roll it up and hide it.

Every baby that's born is unique – make fingerprints and draw a face on them to make a baby.

How many animals can you fit in this shape?

Sort some of your old toys to donate to a local charity or charity shop.

How many words can you make from the word "shepherds" to fit in this box?

Find a twig that looks like a shepherd's crook.

Toast marshmallows over a candle (or a campfire!)

I wonder what happened to the sheep while the shepherds were gone. Chat about it together.

Make some shepherds and sheep to add to your nativity.

Find something made of wool, hold it, and pray for those who need comfort at the moment.

Go for a smelly walk. How many different smells did you count on your walk?

Do some night sky splatter painting with dark paper and bright paint and an old toothbrush (could be a backdrop for your nativity).

Go out after dark and look at the stars. God made all of these – how many can you count?

Make stargazers and a star to add to your nativity.

I wonder how the stargazers knew it was a special star. Chat about it together.

Find something small that reflects light – ask God to help you be like a light to show the way to others.

Go on a Christmas light hunt around your local area. What can you see?

Make gifts to give to others, remember to pray for them too.

Enjoy a family film together this Christmas:
www.bit.ly/urcpolar