

7 DECEMBER — COMFORT

READING: ISAIAH 40:11

HE TAKES CARE OF HIS FLOCK LIKE A SHEPHERD. HE GATHERS THE LAMBS IN HIS ARMS. HE CARRIES THEM CLOSE TO HIS HEART. HE GENTLY LEADS THOSE THAT HAVE LITTLE ONES.

Lead Story Headline

In the Bible angels are messengers of comfort and joy. The angel brings comfort to Joseph by telling him not to be afraid to marry Mary, and they bring joy when the birth of Jesus is announced to the shepherds. In these difficult times, spread comfort and joy by having an angel in your window for others to see as a symbol of hope.



PRAYER:

LORD JESUS, LIGHT OF THE WORLD, THE PROPHETS SAID YOU WOULD BRING PEACE AND SAVE YOUR PEOPLE IN TROUBLE. GIVE PEACE IN OUR HEARTS AT CHRISTMAS AND SHOW ALL THE WORLD GOD'S LOVE. AMEN.

Enrichment

We normally associate angels with the nativity and we have memories of nativity plays containing tinsel and wings. But what brings us comfort and joy to our lives today and what messages of hope do we miss?

Things to do

- Make an angel for your window. There are lots of different ways to make one online. Try making this [simple paper angel](#) or [make one out of an old book](#).
- The Church of England has published new resources called [Comfort and Joy](#) which holds together the hope that Christmas will bring joy and celebration after a uniquely difficult year.