

Week 1

It all started with a lady called Mary. She lived a long time ago in a city named Nazareth and was engaged to marry a man called Joseph. One day Mary saw a bright light. It was so bright she had to cover her eyes. The bright light was an angel called Gabriel. He had come to give Mary a message from God that she was going to have a baby. The baby would be the son of God and his name would be Jesus. Soon Mary was pregnant...

To make your Mary you'll need:

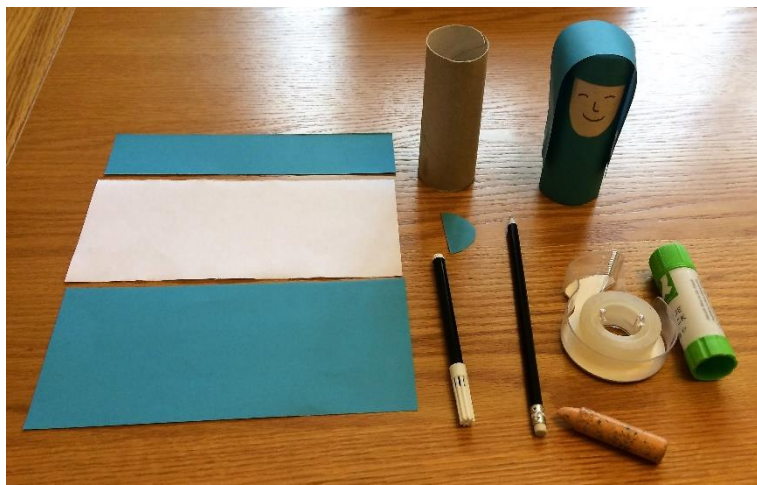
- a toilet roll
- blue paper, or white paper coloured blue
- light pink paper, or white paper coloured light pink
- scissors (not pictured), glue and sellotape
- a black pen and a pencil

Cut the pink paper to fit round your toilet roll. Now glue the paper to your toilet roll.

Next cut two pieces of blue paper to fit round your toilet roll. Take one of those pieces and cut a 'U' shape (for Mary's face). Stick that blue paper onto your toilet roll over the pink paper, and draw Mary's face with the black pen/pencil on the pink paper you can see underneath.

Take your second piece of blue paper and cut it in half length ways. Put one half to the side, and cut a semicircle from the other half (to get the right size draw round the bottom of the toilet roll and fold in half).

To make Mary's headdress glue the blue semicircle above her face (straight side down) and put the blue strip of paper over her head attaching it at both ends with sellotape. You now have a finished Mary.



To make your Angel Gabriel you'll need:

- a toilet roll
- white paper
- yellow paper, or white paper coloured yellow
- light pink paper, or white paper coloured light pink
- silver or gold card (we used a glittery silver card)
- a silver or gold pipe cleaner
- scissors (not pictured), glue and sellotape
- a black pen and a pencil

Cut the pink paper to fit round your toilet roll. Now glue the paper to your toilet roll.

Next cut the white paper to fit round your toilet roll, and cut a "U" shape (for the angel's face). Stick the white paper onto your toilet roll over the pink paper, and draw the angel's face with the black pen/pencil on the pink paper you can see underneath.

To make the angel's hair cut a yellow circle bigger than the end of your toilet roll (the bigger you make the circle the longer the angel's hair will be). Hold the end of your toilet roll in the middle of the yellow circle and make small cuts from the edge of the circle to the toilet roll all the way round. Now stick your yellow angel's hair to the top of your toilet roll above the angel's face, cut away the 'hair' which comes over the angel's face and fold down the rest of the 'hair'.

For the halo bend the end of your pipe cleaner into a circle and sellotape the straight part of the pipe cleaner to the back of your angel. Next cut wings from the silver/gold card. To get the wings to match, we drew one wing and then turned it over and traced round it. Sellotape your wings to the back of the angel. You now have a finished angel.

Come back next week for another exciting instalment in the Christmas story.

