HOLY ROOD
Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and carers,

Can you offer Mary and Joseph a room for the night?

During the Advent period we will once again be offering families in our school the opportunity to take home a travelling crib to spend one night only in your family home. This is a lovely way to help us prepare for Christmas and a way to join together in prayer as part of our liturgical preparations.

Unlike previous years, due to the amount of cribs that have had parts lost to them, damaged or entire travelling cribs not returned to school, we will be distributing them slightly differently. This year, if your family would like to play host for the night, you are invited to collect a travelling crib from the school office. Every single family is still welcome to be part of this wonderful tradition, but all cribs should be collected from and dropped off to the office.

How will you make room in your home for these special guests for the night?

This journey symbolises Mary and Joseph's difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem before the birth of Jesus.

There are some prayers included in the pack that you might say with your family or perhaps you could read the Christmas story, or even write your own prayer.

You may also choose to light a candle (from your own home, not included in the pack) as part of your set up to help remind you that Jesus is the light coming into our world.

Kind Regards,

Mrs. Willis