

## Christmas Connect Prayers Day 1    **The Start: Jesus is born**

**Prayer:** *O Come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

### **John 1**

The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighbourhood.  
We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one-of-a-kind glory,  
like Father, like Son, Generous inside and out, true from start to finish.

**Meditate:** *Mary and Joseph were faced by “No Room!” when they arrived in Bethlehem, but nothing could stand in the way of the coming of Jesus into the world. What things are facing you today that may appear insurmountable, yet Jesus’ Presence can walk straight in?*

### **The Middle: Christmas Cards**

*Imagine you can design a Christmas Card that conveys something about how you might relate to one of the characters or themes of the Nativity Story. Choose one, shepherds, wise men, angels, inn keeper... what are their feelings, and what are yours as this day is to unfold with Jesus in your neighbourhood?*

### **The End: Hark the Herald Angels Sing**

Christ, by highest Heav’n adored;  
Christ the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time, behold Him come,  
Offspring of a virgin’s womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;  
Hail th’incarnate Deity,  
Pleased with us in flesh to dwell,  
Jesus our Emmanuel.  
Hark! the herald angels sing,  
“Glory to the newborn King!”

