

A BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS!



The goal of this activity is to bring Jesus' birth to the heart of your home on Christmas Eve.

You Will Need

- › Empty cardboard boxes and a white sheet
- › A nativity scene (you can use the manger from the Sacrifice Activity)
- › Old Christmas cards
- › Party decorations
- › Cake mix and frosting
- › Blank paper and markers
- › Cardboard and/or foil for crowns

How to Prepare

On the first Sunday of Advent, set up your manger scene:

- › Set up your manger scene in the spot near where your Christmas tree will be.
- › Take empty cardboard boxes and stack them to look like a mountain or steps leading up to the manger. Cover them with a white sheet. You may want to display the three kings on their way up the mountain.
- › Don't place Jesus in the manger.

During the second week of Advent:

- › Purchase small nativity figurines to be placed on the cake. These can be found at craft or cake decorating stores.
- › Make invitations out of construction paper and decorate them with pictures of the Holy Family cut from old Christmas cards.
- › Have your children send these invitations to their godparents, family, and friends.