

Instructions for making Shepherd or Angel nativity figure

You will need:

- Plastic bottle (2 litre size) eg. coke or lemonade etc. Needs to be 2 litre so that all the figures are the same size. Remember to keep the lid.
- Pair of tights
- Elastic band
- Glue
- Bits of wool/cardboard
- Bits of fabric for the clothes
- Toy stuffing for the head

(email us if you need any extra bits you can't get)

1. Fill a few centimetres of the bottle with something heavy in order to stop the bottle from falling over (e.g. sand/rice/dried peas/lentils or water).
2. Put the lid on the bottle.
3. Make a head of an appropriate size for the size of the bottle using a ball of toy stuffing.
4. Position the stuffing ball on the top of the bottle over the cap. Then cover this with a large rectangle cut from a pair of tights of an appropriate colour. Gather the tights material round the neck of the bottle and secure this tightly with a strong elastic band.
5. Your figure is now ready to dress. The fabric for the clothes can be stuck on to the bottle and the layers of clothing can be stuck to each other. It is not necessary to sew the clothes unless you choose to do so.
6. The figures look good with a 'belt' tied round the middle and the headdress needs a tie too. These help to hold the clothes in place. See pictures for examples.

Please bring your shepherd or angel to the Carols Around the Christmas Tree service on **Sunday 20 December 2015 at 4.00 pm**. You will be asked to bring your figure up to the front at an appropriate time in the service. Thank you!

