

# RE KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER – Christianity: Christmas

	<u>Definition</u>
Bible	The writings of Judaism and Christianity.
Christ	Jesus Christ.
Church	A Christian place of worship.
Creation	The art of creating something.
Disciples	One of the twelve original followers of Jesus Christ.
Parables	A short story told to teach a moral or religious lesson.
Prayer	A form of group worship that praises or gives thanks to God.
Prophet	An inspired teacher or proclaimer of the will of God.
Priest	A person authorised by church to lead prayers and religious services.
Worship	Love and devotion shown to a being or object considered sacred.
Christmas	A Christian holiday that celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ.
Faith	Any particular religion and its teachings.
Gospel	The lessons taught by Jesus and his apostles.
New Testament	The books of the Christian Bible that tell the life and works of Jesus and his apostles.
Old Testament	The writings that make up the first part of the

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## The Christmas story

Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus in December. They use the Christmas story to explain how Jesus was brought into the world. Jesus' mother, Mary, was told by Gabriel that she would give birth to a son of God. Jesus' parents travelled to Bethlehem. There Jesus was born in stable. The scene in which he was born is called 'The nativity'.



## Christingle

A Christingle is a symbolic object used in the Advent, Christmas and Epiphany services. Christingle is from the German word 'Christkindl' which means Little Christ Child. Christingle is used to celebrate Jesus Christ as the "Light of the world."



## Advent

**Advent** means 'Coming' in Latin. This is the coming of Jesus into the world. Christians use the four Sundays and weeks of **Advent** to prepare and remember the real meaning of Christmas.



The church follows the tradition when decorating for Christmas, however they ensure that the advent wreath and nativity scene is proudly displayed at the front. Christians sing religious Hymns that are traditional for Christmas.

## The teachings of Christmas in the bible

The collection of Bible verses details what's known as the nativity story and the lives of Mary and Joseph. Jesus's birth is re-told several times in the Gospels.

