Mary Says Yes

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Sunday 20 December 2026

Luke 1:26-38

A FAMILY BOOKLET

READ TOGETHER

The Gospel story



Mary lived in Nazareth and was promised in marriage to Joseph. One day God sent the angel Gabriel with a greeting that made Mary wonder what was happening.

Gabriel told Mary she did not need to be afraid. She would have a son and name him Jesus. He would be the Son of God, and he would reign for ever, as God had promised to the family of King David.

Mary asked how this could happen. Gabriel said the Holy Spirit would come upon her. He told Mary that her relative Elizabeth was going to have a baby in her old age. God could do what seemed impossible.

Mary listened, asked her question, and trusted God with what would come next. She said yes to what God was asking. Then Gabriel left her.

An original retelling of Luke 1:26-38

REMEMBER THE GOSPEL

Draw or write

What good thing could you say yes to?

Draw Mary listening to Gabriel. Draw or write one good thing God might be asking you to do.

ADVENT WREATH

Colour candle 4 purple and colour its flame.



AT HOME

Talk and pray

SAY TOGETHER

God, thank you for Mary and her courage. Help us listen, ask our questions, and say yes to your love. Amen.



WONDER TOGETHER

What did Mary ask Gabriel? What do you think helped her trust God?

TRY ONE THING

Pick one way to help your family prepare for Christmas. Say yes to it and do it together.

Liturgy Office calendar

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