

Sharing our Learning about ADVENT with family whānau

- **Use your worksheets** to help you share what you have learned about how Mary and Joseph got ready for Jesus to be born.
- **Sing an ADVENT song** for your mother that you have learned and ask her to tell you how she got ready for her new baby.
- **Tell someone the story** about God sending the angel Gabriel to Mary to ask her to be the mother of his son, Jesus.
- **Draw a picture** about when Mary went to visit her cousin Elizabeth and they helped each other because they were both having a baby.
- **Talk to your family** about making an ADVENT Wreath. Share with them what you need and make a plan to get – a circle base (from the florist), or make one with wire, some ever-greenery, pins, 3 purple candles and 1 pink candle.
- **Ask an older member of your family** to help you. When the wreath is made put it on your table and each day light the candles - 1 for each week during ADVENT to help you and your family measure the time till when Jesus is born at Christmas. Sing the ADVENT song as you light the candles. Take home your worksheet with the words for your family whānau to share.
- **Buy an Advent Calendar** and share what you have learned about Advent as you open a new door each day. Talk about how ADVENT is a waiting time and a getting ready time for Jesus to be born. Purple is the colour for ADVENT. Remember to get a calendar that is about Jesus and ADVENT and CHRISTMAS!
- **Make up your own way** of showing and sharing what you have learned and decide with whom you would like to share it.

