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# THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

"Let the children come to me, do not hinder them," (Mk 10:14)

## Our "Tiny Jesus" Advent Journey

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Our "Tiny Jesus" Advent Journey continues with another story that involves the Archangel Gabriel. Inspired by the writings of Marigold Hunt and, of course, the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, let us continue with the story about the greatest thing that has ever happened in the history of the world!

*Six months after the Archangel Gabriel had been sent from Heaven with the message for Zachary, he was now sent to deliver another message. This time the Archangel went to a little town far away from Jerusalem, up in the hills of Galilee. Gabriel went into a humble house where Mary lived. He greeted her with the words: "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee." Our Lady thought, "Who is this shining being and why should he say that to me?" She has heard these words so many times since - whenever we pray a "Hail Mary" - that it seems strange to think she was puzzled and perhaps even a bit frightened the first time she heard them. Gabriel continued, "Fear not, Mary, for you have found grace with God. You are going to have a Son, and you are to call Him JESUS. He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God shall make Him a Great King, and His Kingdom shall have no end." When Our Lady heard this, she asked, "How shall this be done?" You see, she was sure that it **could** be done; she just wanted to know **how**, not like Zachary who thought Gabriel made a mistake! Gabriel told Mary it would be done by the power of God, and he also told her that Elizabeth was going to have a son as well. Mary said, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done unto me according to your word." Then at that moment, the Holy Spirit overshadowed Mary and the Second Person of the Most Blessed Trinity became a tiny baby in her womb! We call this **The Incarnation** - when **God became Man**. The Incarnation is the greatest thing that has ever happened in the history of the world! Tiny Jesus - God with us!*

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## The Tiny Jesus Chaplet

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Let's pray "The Tiny Jesus Chaplet" each day of our Advent Journey! You can also pray it with the help of "The Tiny Jesus Chaplet" video found on the home page of Catholic Kids 101. By doing this we are honoring the nine months Jesus grew in Mary's womb!

Begin with the Sign of the Cross and then say: **"Heavenly Father, I offer this chaplet for every baby growing in his or her mother's womb, that they will be born safely, and come to love Jesus, just like I do!"**

Then say 9 times: **"Heavenly Father, I offer You Your beloved Son Jesus 1 MONTH OLD, growing in the womb of the Virgin Mary. And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. Hail Mary, full of grace...etc."** Each time you repeat this, say the next month - 2 MONTHS OLD, 3 MONTHS OLD, until you get to 9 MONTHS OLD! End with the Sign of the Cross.