

DECEMBER 8: SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

INCLUDED:

- Ornament ball
- Glitter glue (color varies)
- Ultrasound image
- Hanger



USE YOUR OWN:

- Scrap paper



LUKE 1:26-38



The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there will be no end." But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

- Q.** 1. What can we learn from Mary and how she responded to the angel's message?

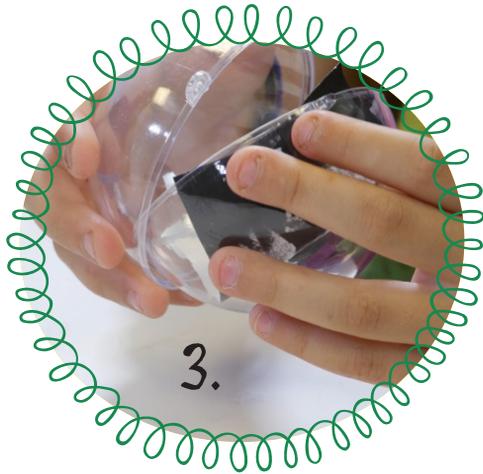
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THE MASS BOX



1. Put the ultrasound image into the globe ornament. This represents the baby Mary, in her mother Anne's belly. Have you seen an ultrasound photo of you as a baby?

2. Decorate using glitter glue. Make sure to work over your scrap paper to keep things clean! You can decorate on the image or the globe.



3. If you decorate inside the globe, leave it open for the glitter glue to dry. After it's dry, close the globe up. If you close the globe with wet glitter glue, it will not dry.

4. Thread the hanger through the globe. If you have a Christmas tree this season or decorate in another way, you can hang this up to remember today's feast day!

