

Delivering

You can bring your box to the church in the week before Christmas and we will arrange for all boxes to be delivered to The Welcome Centre's warehouse. It is wonderful to bring all we want to give to the crib as we celebrate Christmas together.

Open Mon-Fri daytime,

Or call the Welcome Centre direct and enjoy the pleasure of delivering your box direct to them. Call 01484 340034
www.thewelcomecentre.org

thewelcomecentre@btconnect.com

Items Needed

Current shortages:

Jam, toothbrushes, biscuits, toothpaste, microwave rice pouches, jars of cooking sauce (pasta, curry etc), tinned meals (e.g. stew, curry, pies etc),

Other items always welcomed: Dried Mash : cat and dog food : tinned fruit : tinned puddings : stock cubes : tea bags : practical toiletries : tin openers : coffee : soup : pulses : washing powder : cooking oil : nappies : crackers : baby food :

Please do not donate at this time: Dry Pasta : Sugar/Salt : Tinned spaghetti : Out of date food items : Items containing alcohol : clothes : incontinence products : bottled water

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2022
Reverse
Advent

Keeping
Christmas
Different
for you, your
family,



The Big Idea

1. Get a box—any box will do—but why not decorate it as Christmas approaches?
2. Each day of Advent (from Nov 28th), put something in the box that will help a person or family in need in our community. (There's a list of items which are really needed on the back of this leaflet).
3. Think about what it means that God gave us all we have—and why we share with those in need.
4. As part of your Christmas celebration bring your box to church—and we will deliver it to The Welcome Centre **OR**
5. Take the box there yourself, meet the volunteers, share with your family the good that being generous does, and the change it can bring.



Make it Special—Pray : Read : Share

1. Find a special time of day to put something into the box—it could be part of bedtime routine with the children, or part of your morning routine
2. Use the prayer here—or make your own prayers. Pray for the people who will receive the item you are putting in the box, for things going on in the world, in your life, and in our community.
3. Light a candle—you can get special Advent countdown candles, or just use a tealight each time, to remind you that Emmanuel “God with us” is with you.
4. Read a little bit of the Christmas story each day.
5. If you have a traditional or chocolate Advent calendar, why not make opening it part of the same special time?



An Advent Prayer

Loving God,

**This Advent we are waiting
for your greatest gift;**

Emmanuel, God with us, Jesus.

Help us learn from your kindness.

Help us share what we have.

**Help us to be a community of love,
peace and justice.**

Amen.