



Isaiah 7: 13-15 and Luke 1:26-31,38

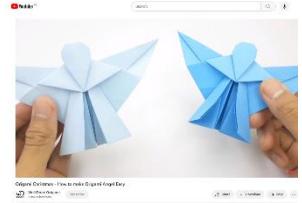
An ordinary couple

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A prayer for when you're doing something ordinary, like doing your chores

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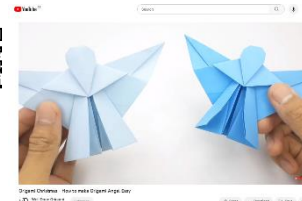
Matthew 6:9-13 The Lord's Prayer

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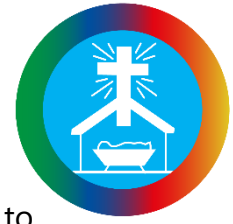
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