



**BE THE**

**LIGHT**

This pack is a way for us all to engage with people who don't yet know Jesus. Have a look at these ideas and maybe you can think of ways to encourage and share the good news of Jesus with your friends and neighbours. Why not try and host an online Easter Party and think about the Easter story together!

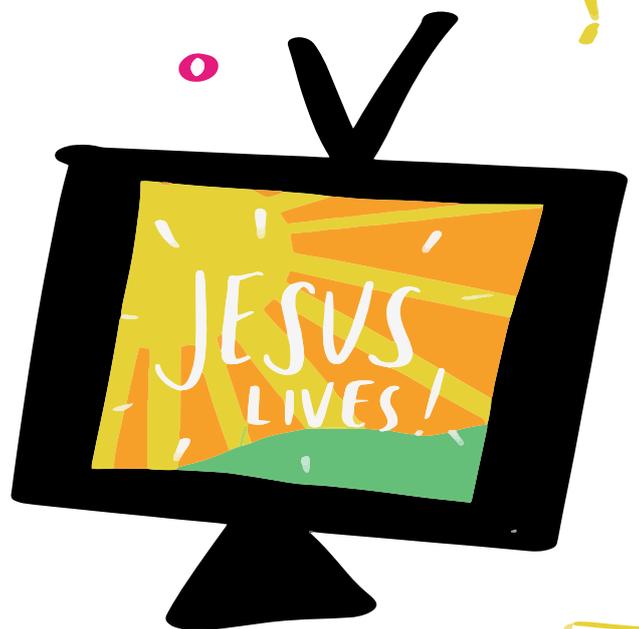
# DISCOVER...

# the EASTER

# Story!

Check out these age-specific resources to discover the easter story afresh!

- Saddleback Kids
- Saddleback Kids for Toddlers
- Youth Resource



# FOR THE GROWN-UPS!

## 1. ZOOM DRINKS

Since we cannot meet up in person with family or friends why not gather together over zoom and have a drink and chat or even dinner. We recommend trying it on the biggest screen in your house if you are able to connect it to your device.



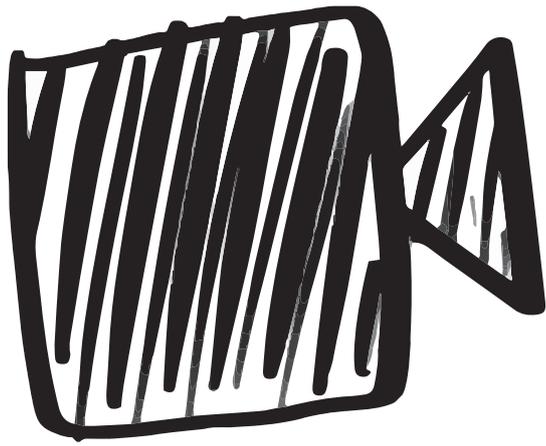
## 2. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS!

Many of us will have stored the Christmas decorations into the attic three months ago. Why don't you get the Christmas Lights down and put them up in your garden or window. It will not only brighten up the night but also likely to provoke conversation opportunities with neighbours.



## 3. MAKE A CONNECTION

Write a letter, make a call, send a message. Whilst we are keeping ourselves at a distance, why not make a connection with someone through a letter, call or message. Is there someone that is at a distance because of a falling out or unforgiveness? Why not take the Easter opportunity to rebuild a friendship and see reconciliation?



# ZOOM FACE TIME WHATSAPP HOUSE PARTY

## Quiz

Maybe you can host a zoom quiz night with some neighbours or

friends that live far away! Put together a few rounds of a quiz and have some fun! That might be a good way to begin a conversation on how they are and what they are up to at Easter.

## Dinner Party

Maybe you can send an email invite to some friends who you haven't caught up with in a while and invite them to a Zoom dinner party catch up!

Can we encourage people during this time to share life and share faith?

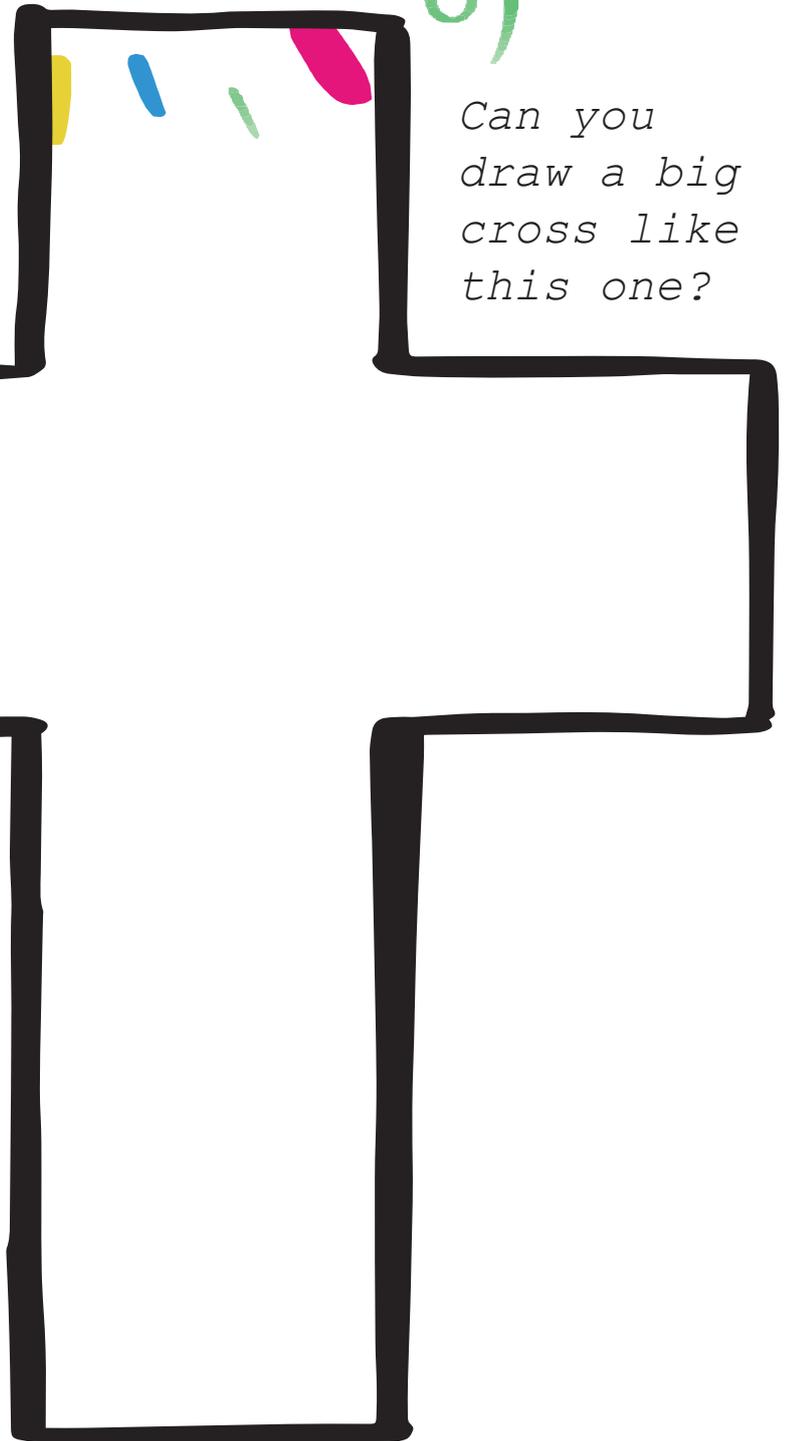




# PRAY!

*Can you  
draw a big  
cross like  
this one?*

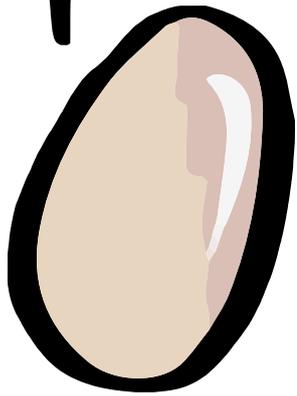
We know  
that at  
Easter  
Jesus died  
on a cross,  
and then  
3 days  
later He rose again.  
Why don't we write the  
names of some people  
that we know are suf-  
fering on the cross, so  
we can pray for them.  
You might want to print  
it out, decorate it and  
put it on your social  
media, so that your  
friends know what you  
are doing and can do  
the same thing too!



# Easter GAMES



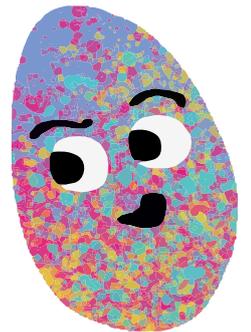
A few Easter themed games that can be done at home. Maybe you want to invite a couple of families to join in an Easter party and do these games together over Zoom?



## DON'T DROP THE EGG!

Blow up a balloon for each person in your team. Put the balloon between your knees and have a race. Maybe you could do this in your garden or set up an obstacle course around your home.

# EASTER EGG HUNT



Hide your Easter eggs or Easter goodies around your home or garden.

Connect with others: Hide an Easter egg in a room, take a photo of it so that it can be seen, but is still a little hidden and post it into a group chat. Get each household to do the same. It's like where's wally but with Eggs!



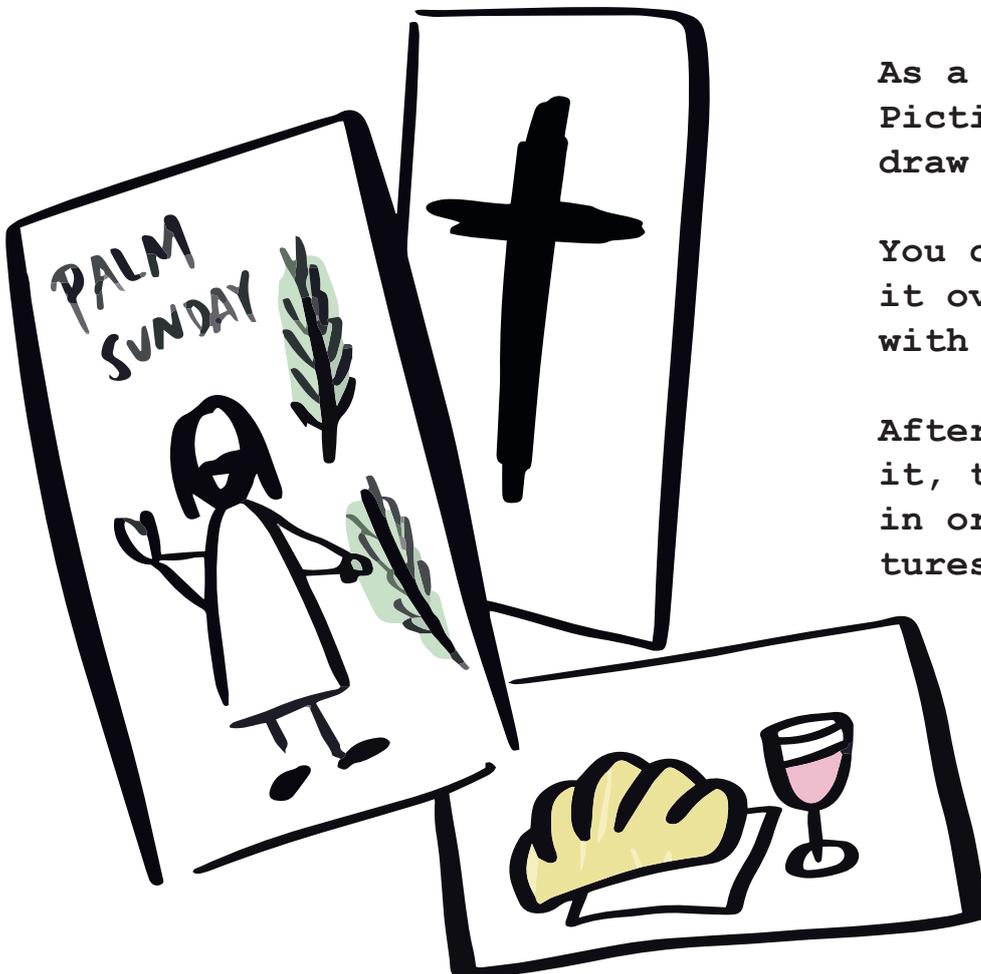
# easter STORY PICTIONARY

Can you retell the Easter story through pictures?

As a family play Easter Pictionary, where you draw the Easter story.

You could even try to do it over facetime or zoom with friends.

After you have completed it, try and put the story in order using the pictures.





# Crafts

## CARDBOARD CROSS †

For this you need:

- 4 Cardboard Strips
- Wool, String or Yarn.
- (Optional Colour) Red Wool, String or Yarn.

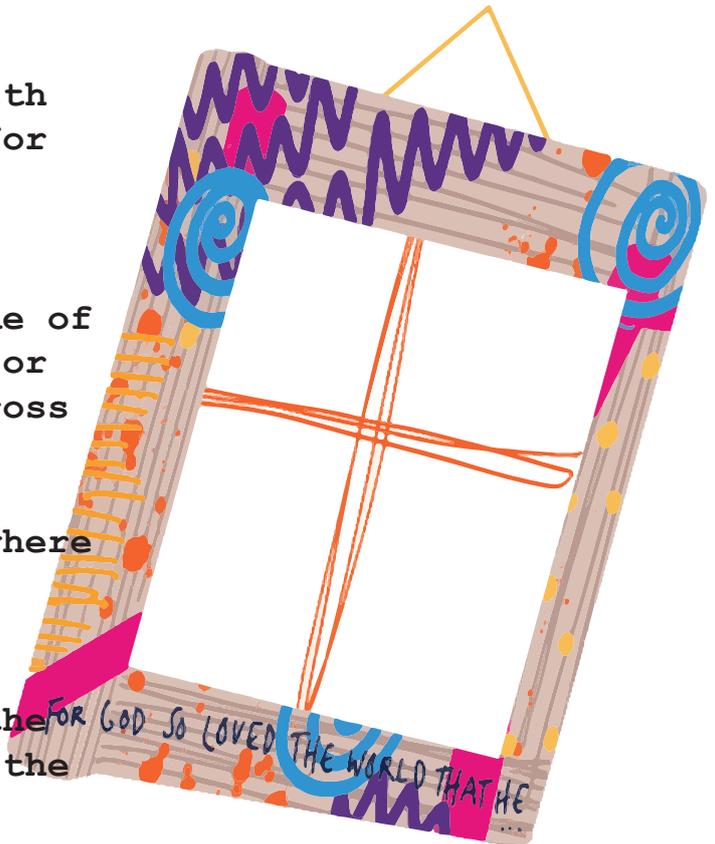
1. Glue the strips together to form a frame.

2. Paint or decorate the frame with paint markers or paint and wait for it to dry.

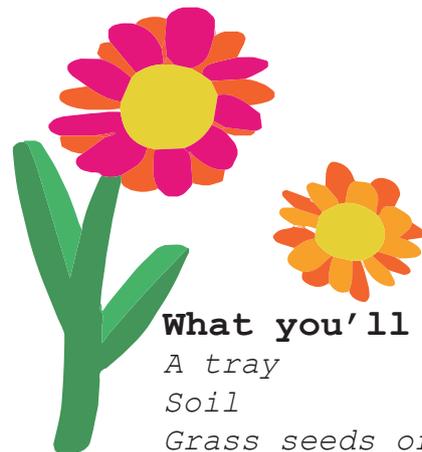
3. Wind the wool, string or yarn around the middle of the long side of the frame. Wind the wool, string or yarn around the side to form a cross shape.

4. Tie the cross shape together where the yarn crosses with red string, wool, string or yarn.

5. On the frame you could write the verse John 3:16 to remind you of the Easter Story.



# EASTER GARDEN



## What you'll need:

A tray  
Soil  
Grass seeds or moss  
Small stones  
A large stone  
A piece of small white cloth  
A small flower pot  
6 sticks to make into 3 crosses  
String

1. Place your flower pot on its side on the tray (this will be tomb) and cover half the tray (including over the side of the flower pot) with soil, this will make a hill side. On the other half put your small stones.

2. If you are doing this with over week before Easter you could always plant some grass seeds in the soil and watch them grown. If like us you don't have that long find some moss that is growing on a wall and peel it off to cover the soil area. We also dug up some pansies that were growing between some paving stones in the garden to add some colour to our garden.

3. With your sticks use them to make three crosses and secure them with bits of string. Stick them into the top of the "hill", if you have one cross that is bigger than the others, place it in the centre of the three crosses to represent the cross which Jesus was crucified on.

4. Finally with the piece of white cloth, fold it up and put it in the tomb and place the large stone in front of the entrance to the tomb. On Easter Sunday roll the stone away to show that Jesus has risen!

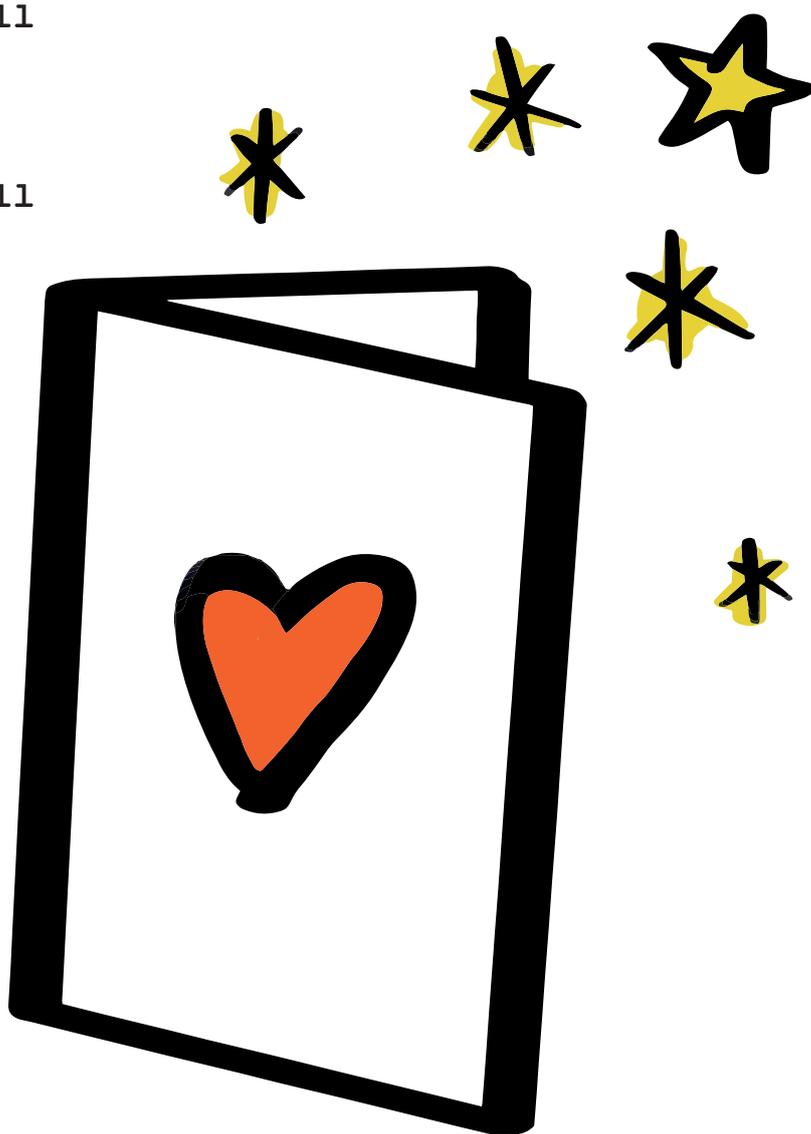


Join our community challenge by sharing your creation on Facebook or Instagram, and tagging Gold Hill!

# EASTER cards ♡

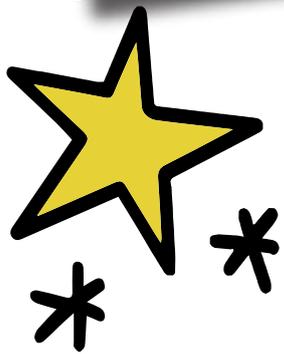
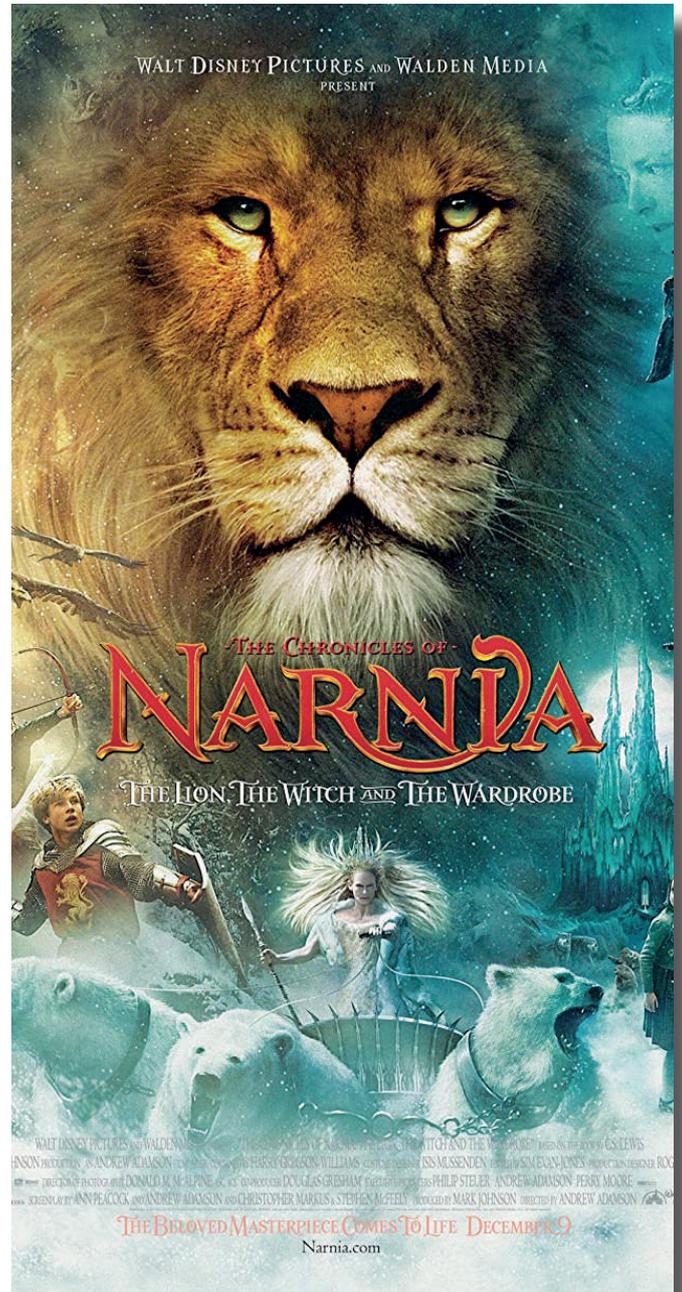
So, maybe you want to decorate a card and send it to someone you know could do with some encouragement from God.

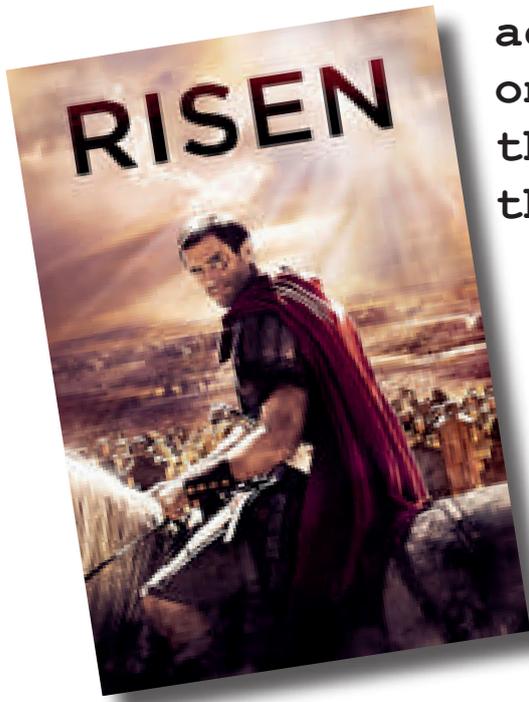
You might want to draw an Easter themed card and tell them what Jesus did for them at Easter, or maybe they aren't well at the moment and you want to tell them you are praying for them, or maybe they are having a bad week and you want to tell them how God loves them in the ups and downs of life.



# FILM NIGHT

Why not watch one of these films? Natalie and Shona have recommended watching *the Chronicles of Narnia* or *Lion King* to help us in thinking about Easter. Can you see some parallels?





*Risen* is a great action film following one Roman soldier's thought journey around the resurrection.



For the older audience, these two films are great for sparking discussion and grappling with the resurrection of Jesus.



*The Case for Christ* follows one man's journey to disprove the resurrection.

# EASTER BAKE:

# ANGEL

# CAKES

## INGREDIENTS:

### For the cakes :

100g caster sugar  
100g very soft butter  
100g self-raising flour  
2 eggs  
1 tsp vanilla extract

### For the icing:

100g very soft butter  
150g icing sugar



Luke 24:1-8

**Jesus has risen!**

## METHOD:

Ask a grown-up helper to turn the oven on to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Put a paper case in each hole in the baking tray.

Put the sugar and butter (it must be soft or you won't be able to mix it properly) in a bowl and mix it together. Sift in the flour.

Break the eggs into a separate bowl (spoon out any bits of shell that fall in) and add them to the bowl with the vanilla. Mix everything together.

Divide between the cases using a spoon, scraping it off with a knife. Ask a grown-up helper to put the tray in the oven for 20 minutes.

Mix the butter and icing sugar to make a creamy icing.

Let the cakes cool completely in the tray. Cut a little circle out of the middle of the cake, then cut the circle in two, to make two wings, then put a teaspoon of icing in the hole and put the wings back on top of the icing!

# METHOD:

*Preheat oven to 180 degrees/  
350 Fahrenheit/gas mark 4.*

*Lightly grease 3 baking trays.*

*Measure all ingredients into a medium bowl and mix thoroughly until a smooth biscuit dough is formed.*

*Place spoonfuls of the mixture (about the size of a small egg or a dessert spoon-full) well apart on the baking trays and flatten slightly using a spoon.*

*Bake in the preheated oven for about 15 mins (or less for a fan oven), until golden brown and just firm to the touch.*

*Cool on wire rack, then store in an airtight container.*



# INGREDIENTS:

## **For the cookies:**

*175g baking margarine  
225g caster sugar  
2 eggs  
350g self raising flour  
100g plain chocolate  
chips, smarties or M&Ms.*

# BETH'S CHOC-CHIP COOKIES

**Could you bake some for a neighbour?**  
*Keep for up to 3 days, and suitable for freezing.*