

WRAPPED IN SWADDLING CLOTHS

"Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people.

For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior,

who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you:

You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger."

(Luke 2:10-12)

Wrap a baby doll in swaddling clothes to see how people wrapped their babies at the time of the Lord's birth. Use a large piece of flannel like a receiving blanket and then wrap this with strips of soft cloth. You could also wrap sheep's wool (or a cotton ball) with smaller swaddling clothes to represent the baby Lord in the nativity scene.

You may want to read the family talk "Swaddling Clothes" by the Rev. Patrick A. Rose to find out why the Lord was wrapped in soft white cloth.