

Sunday IV (A) of Advent

Gospel text (Mt 1,18-24): This is how Jesus Christ was born. Mary his mother had been given to Joseph in marriage but before they lived together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit.



Illustration: Francesc Badia

Today we admire the greatness of St. Joseph. On the one hand, he believes that he should respect the silence of Mary, i.e., to leave her alone with the mystery of the Incarnation of the Son of God. But this is tough and, besides, how to do it?

-Joseph did not precipitate himself; Joseph prayed and pondered. And, thus, he was enlightened by God: «do not be afraid to take Mary home (...). She will give birth to a son, and you will give him the name of Jesus. »