

A Greener Christmas

St James Eco Church would like to suggest a few ideas for you to make your Christmas more eco-friendly, without losing the true spirit and meaning of Christmas—celebrating God bringing Jesus into the World.

To send cards or not sent Cards? This is very much a personal choice.

If you are delivering locally consider hand delivering - a nice afternoon walk.

Woodley Scouts often deliver locally—supporting a local group and saving you time.

Make your own Christmas Cards.

Lots of cards received in previous years.... Why not think about turning them into new cards for this year

or make them into a Christmas card ornament for your Christmas Tree *

or make them into a recycled Christmas Card Bunting / Garland*

or turn them into gift tags, gift boxes

or bookmarks to give with a book.

or repurpose your cards into a Christmas Wreath



* Repurpose your Christmas Cards 10 beautiful ways to reuse old Christmas Cards on Pinterest

Cards

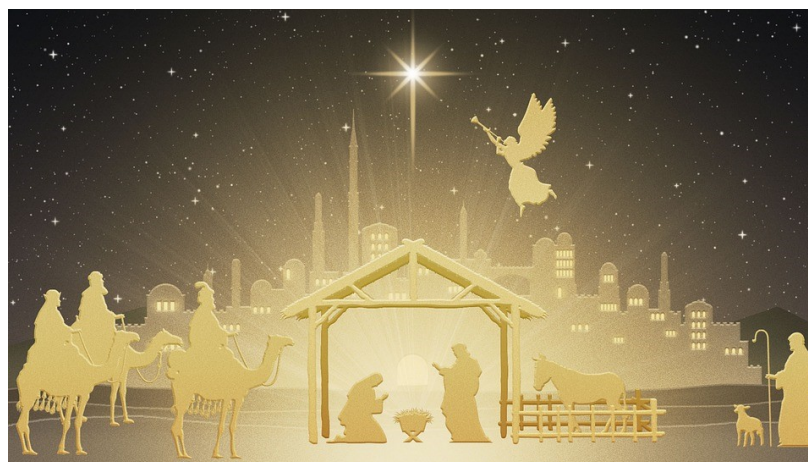
Save the environment and also money—instead of buying, writing and sending Christmas cards between church family sign the

Community Christmas Card

and put a donation in the box.

Hoping this will save you some time, money and it will benefit the environment too!

Remember little changes go a long way!



No Christmas card comes without waste, from production, packaging for delivery, mailing, the card = waste!

Choose your Christmas cards carefully. Look for cards that can be recycled—avoid cards (as inviting as they look) that have lots of plastic glitter, plastic additions that cannot be recycled.

Many organisations are producing cards from sustainably sourced pulp or made of recycled material.

Consider giving cards that also support one of your favourite charities whilst sending your cards.

Send an e-card? may be no physical tangible card but may still have a carbon footprint

Remember to recycle your recyclable Christmas Cards after Christmas - Within Wokingham Borough you can pop your cards in the Green Recycle bags.

Reading Borough Council—they can be put in your red recycle bin.



Several High Street stores have collection boxes for cards for a few weeks after Christmas—look out in Sainsbury's, M&S, Waitrose.