

Robin

A cheeky little bird that brightens up our winter.



Fact -

The first British postmen were often called robins or redbreasts because they wore red coats.

Discuss -

The robin's red breast looks joyful. What else makes you feel joyful when you are outside? What can we do to help other people feel joyful this week?

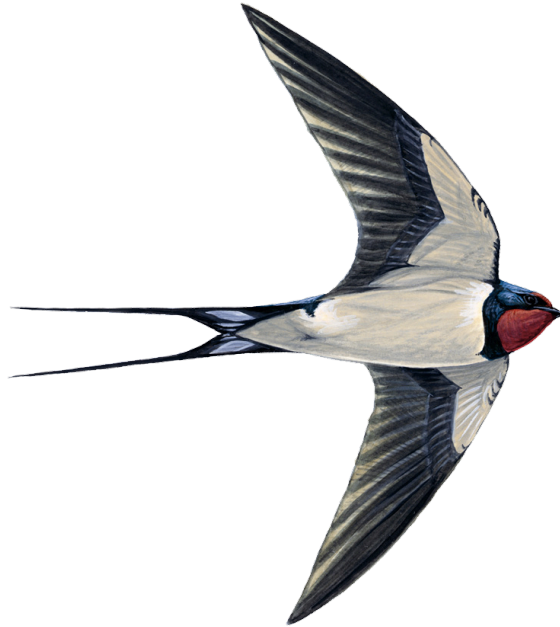
Pray -

Thank you God for all those things that bring us joy. Help us to do all that we can to help other people this week.

Amen

Swallow

A summer visitor who travels a VERY long way.



Fact -

Many swallows fly over 6000 miles from the Sahara Desert to nest in our countryside. The families return to the same spot year after year.

Discuss -

Just like the swallows long journey, being a Christian can be tough sometimes... what helps you to keep believing in God?

Pray -

Thank you God for our church family.
Help us to do all that we can to care for each other.
Amen

Wren

A tiny little bird with a very loud voice.



Fact -

Wrens weigh the same as a £1 coin. For their size, their song is about 10 times louder than a cockerel crowing!

Discuss -

Just like the little wrens' loud voice, it's great to hear children's voices in church. Why do you think Jesus liked being with children?

Pray -

Thank you God for the children in our churches and schools.

Please help us to make the church a great place for children to have fun and learn about you.

Amen

Skylark

A small brown bird with a beautiful song.



Fact -

Skylarks sing whether the weather is lovely or horrible, and at certain times of year they even sing in the dark (to impress potential mates).

Discuss -

What can we learn from Skylarks about the way we should worship?

God loves it when we sing to him. What songs do you like singing to God? (why don't you sing as you look for the next bird?)

Pray -

Thank you God that you sing love songs over us throughout our whole life.

Help us to keep worshipping you even when we're feeling sad.

Amen

Kingfisher

Near a river you might see a flash of blue as the colourful Kingfisher darts down to catch a fish.



Fact -

In the spring, male Kingfishers offer fish as a present to females to try and attract a mate.

Discuss -

The Kingfisher is not just brilliantly designed to catch fish, it is beautifully designed too. In what ways can you see God's design all around you right now?

Pray -

Thank you God for the amazing way you've designed the world.

Help us to notice the beauty of your creation and remember to be thankful.

Amen

Red Kite

A majestic bird of prey with a v-shaped tail.



Fact -

The number of Red Kites in the UK had fallen to just 20 pairs in the 1960s, but has now there are about 1800 breeding pairs. This is because of a really special effort to protect them.

Discuss -

What can we do to help birds during the last few weeks of winter?

Pray -

Thank you God for the way you've designed your natural world to heal itself.

We are really sorry for the times we've been careless. Help us to do all that we can to care for creation.

Amen