The Annunciation Reading Luke 1:26-40 paraphrased

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a young woman who was engaged to a man whose name was Joseph. The young woman's name was Mary.

The angel Gabriel came to Mary one night

And Mary became frightened.

The Angel said to Mary, "Do not be afraid Mary because God loves you very much!" and this made Mary feel very happy and at peace.

The angel Gabriel also said to Mary, "You will have a baby and you will name him Jesus. <u>This child will be great</u> and will be called the child of God."

Mary was confused and so she said to the Angel, "How can this be?" The angel said to Mary, "The Holy Spirit will come to you, and <u>the power of the Most High will overshadow you</u>; and the child will be born onto you ."

At that <u>Mary was very excited</u> about the news and ran to tell her cousin Elizabeth.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God