Follow the star

St Michael & All Angels Advent Trail

At Christmas, we remember the star which guided the wise men on their long journey to meet Jesus – a light of hope, leading them toward something wonderful. This year, we're inviting families in Barnes to look for signs of that same hope and joy, sparkling in our own community.

Can you help us find our stars?
Twelve bright and twinkly Christmas stars have slipped out of church and hidden themselves around the parish! They're tucked away and we need your help to find them. (See map of parish boundaries, in red, below)

How to join the adventure:

- **Pick up an entry form** from the back of church or on our website here. You can also jot down where you have spotted a star, if that's easier.
- **Hunt for the 12 missing stars.** Keep your eyes peeled as you walk around the neighbourhood. They could be anywhere within our parish boundaries. In windows, on noticeboards, near familiar landmarks… you never know where a star might be shining!
- **Write down their hiding places.** Each star has a number. When you find one, jot down the number and where you spotted it.
- **Send us your answers.** Either return your completed form to the box at the back of church or email your list of stars and their locations, with your name, to children@stmichaelbarnes.org.

Win a prize!
All entries will go into a draw, and one lucky star-hunter will be chosen as the winner.
Everyone who tags us on Instagram will also have the opportunity to win a separate prize.

The winners will be announced at our 'Camels and Carols' Family Epiphany Service on Sunday 11th January 11.30am, where we will remember the journey of the Magi. And - yes - there will be a real camel!

Don't forget to tag us on Instagram using @stmichaelbarnes or #followthestar2025