

Follow the Star

Nativity Trail

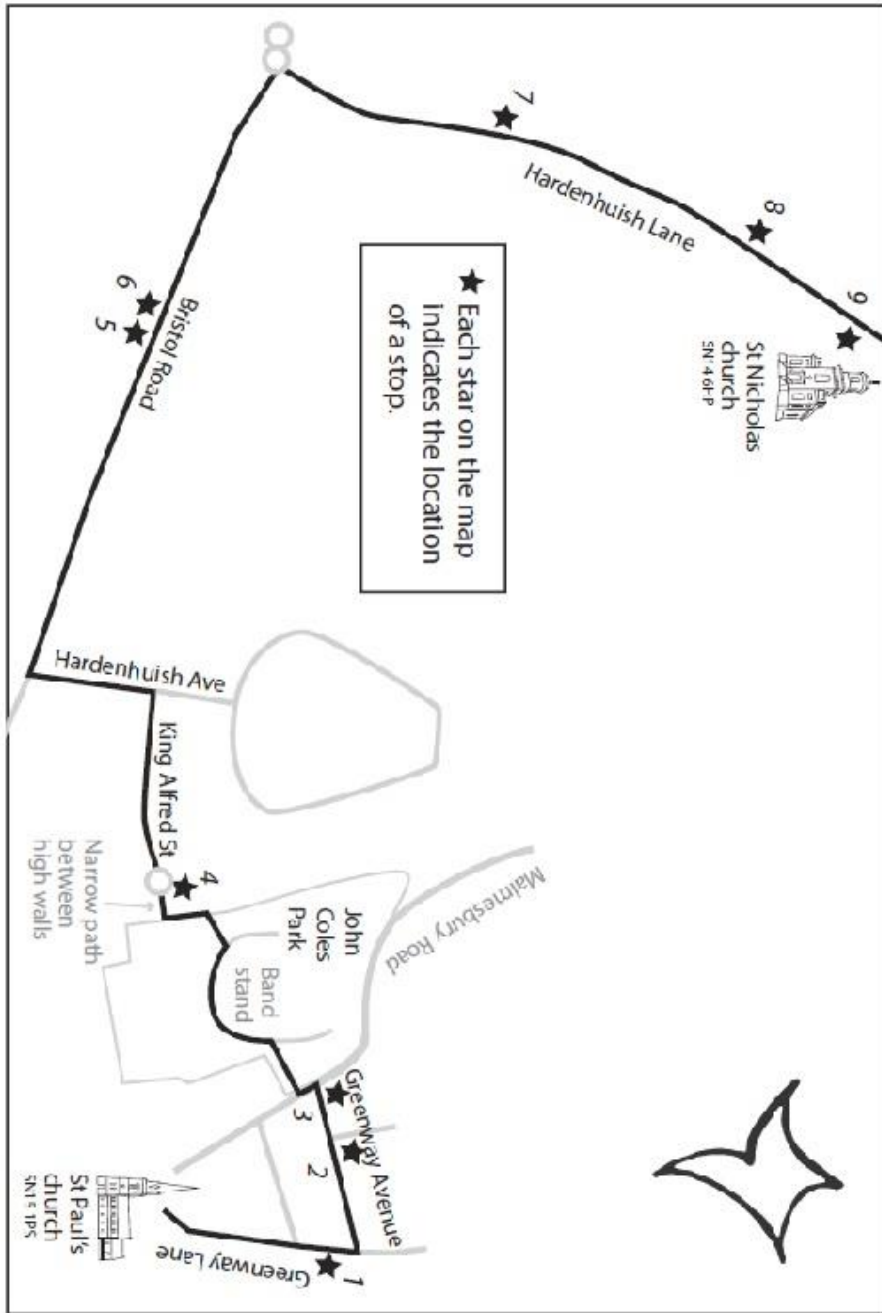


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St Nicholas Church (Hardenhuish Lane) from 19th December

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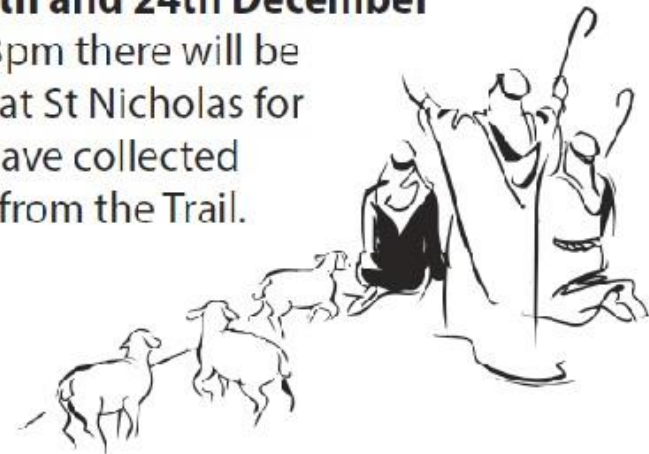
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Stop 1

God sent the angel Gabriel to the town of Nazareth in Galilee with a for a virgin named Mary. The angel said, "Don't be afraid! God is pleased with you, and you will have a son. His name will be Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of God Most High."



Stop 2

The Angel told Joseph to and said: "Joseph, the baby that Mary will have is from the Holy Spirit. Go ahead and marry her. Then after her baby is born, name him Jesus, which means The Lord Saves because he will save his people from their sins."



Stop 3

Mary visited her relative called Elizabeth, who was due to give birth to a baby called John. Elizabeth was amazed at

Mary's story and both were filled with about the future births of John and Jesus. John the Baptist grew up to tell people about who Jesus was.

Stop 4

At that time the Roman Emperor Augustus gave orders for the names of all the people to be listed in record books. Everyone was given the to go to their own hometown to be listed. So Joseph and Mary had to leave Nazareth and go to Bethlehem in Judea.

Stop 5

About that time some Wise Men from the East arrived in Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?"

We saw his star when it arose and decided to it. We have come to worship him."



Stop 6

The star was a for the Wise Men to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. They entered the house and saw the baby Jesus with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Plus they presented gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Stop 7

The angel brought the Shepherds good news that Jesus had been born and they were to go at once to

find him. The shepherds made a to find Jesus. They hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and they saw the baby lying on a bed of hay.



Stop 8



As the result of the Roman requirement for a census Mary and Joseph travelled from Nazareth to Bethlehem some 90 miles.

When Mary and Joseph arrived in Bethlehem they couldn't find anywhere to stay, all the rooms were full, so they stopped in a stable. Mary gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger. Continue up the hill to see Mary with the baby called .

Stop 9

The Angels sang when Jesus was born ""! Many other angels came down from heaven and joined in praising God. They said: "Praise God in heaven! Peace on earth to everyone who pleases God." (Luke 2.13)

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