

"...the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was." Matthew 2:9

It is very likely that if you've ever watched a nativity play, it would have featured three kings, processing through the audience after a star-bearing child to arrive at the manger-side with their camels and gifts. All the Bible tells us though, is that an unspecified number of 'Magi' came from the east to worship a new-born king. But the star part is there, and it was the star that led them to the baby. A tremendous sign given by God to help these travellers find a true king.

But the star was only one sign in the nativity story. There were plenty others, including Jesus himself. He was a sign to the shepherds who came running in to Bethlehem to discover the good news of great joy.

People are still led to worship Jesus, following all kinds of signs. But when they do discover him, they realise that he is the greatest sign of all. A sign from God about how much he loves us and about his desire to rescue us.

We hope you will follow the signs and come and join us this Christmas.

We hope you will find what you are looking for. We hope you will find Jesus.

Sunday 1st December Cosmic Signs

Communion @ Trinity 10am and Morning Worship @

Skene 11.15am

Cafe Worship @ Trinity 7pm

Saturday 7th December

Nativity Characters Trail in Westhill followed by carol singing at shops

Sunday 8th December Historic Signs

Morning Worship @ Trinity 10am and Communion @ Skene 11.15am

<u>Sunday 15th December</u> Family Signs and Star of Wonder

Morning Worship @ Trinity 10am and Morning Worship @ Skene 11.15am

Carols by Candlelight @ Skene 6pm with Church Choir and Skene Primary School

Sunday 22nd December Funny Signs

Joint Nativity Service @ Trinity 10.30am

Monday 23rd December A Star

Afternoon film showing @ Trinity 2pm

Christmas Eve A Sign For Us

Pop-Up Nativity/Messy Church Service @ Trinity 4pm

Watchnight Service @ Skene 11.15pm (Carols from 11pm)

Christmas Day Star Sign

Joint service @ Skene 10.30am

Sunday 29th December Signs and wonders

Joint service @ Trinity 10.30am

May everyone at
Skene Parish Church
take this opportunity to wish
you and your family/friends
a very Merry Christmas
and a peaceful New Year.

"O Star of wonder, star of night Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading, still proceeding Guide us to Thy perfect light"