

Hognaston Carol list for Saturday 19th December at 5pm.

Carol sheet 19. Once in Royal David's City

Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed.
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed.
Mary was that mother mild
Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to Earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all.
And His shelter was a stable
And his cradle was a stall.
With the poor and mean and lowly
Lived on Earth our Saviour holy.

Not in that poor lowly stable
With the oxen standing round.
We shall see him, but in heaven
Set at God's right and on high.
When like stars His children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

Carol sheet 1 O little town of Bethlehem.

O little town of Bethlehem
How still we see thee lie.
Above they deep and dreamless sleep,
The silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light.
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in thee tonight.

O morning stars together
Proclaim the holy birth.
And praises sing to God the king
And peace to all on earth.
For Christ is born of Mary
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.

How silently , how silently
The wondrous gift is given.
So God imparts to human hearts,
The blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him, still
The dear Christ enters in.

O Holy child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us we pray.
Cast out our sin and enter in
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angel
The great glad tidings tell.
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel.

Carol sheet 5 The First Nowell.

The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields
where they lay.
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell,
Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far.
And to the earth it gave great light
And so it continued both day and night.
Nowell...

And by the light of that same star
Three wise men came from country far.
To seek for a king was their intent
And to follow the star wherever it went.
Nowell..

This star drew night to the Northwest
O'er Bethlehem city it took its rest.
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay.
Nowell...

Then entered in those wise men three
Full reverently upon their knee.
And offered there in his presence
Their gold and myrrh and frankincense.
Nowell....

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly lord.
Who hath made heaven and earth of naught
And with his blood, mankind hath bought.
Nowell....

Carol sheet 7 While Shepherds watched their flocks.

While shepherds watched their flocks by night
All seated on the ground.
The angel of the Lord came down
And Glory shone around.

“Fear not” said he, for mighty dread
had seized their troubled mind.
“Glad tidings of great joy I bring
to you and all mankind.”

“To you in David’s town this day
Is born of David’s line
A saviour, who is Christ the Lord
And this shall be the sign.”

“The heavenly babe you there shall find
To human view displayed.
All meanly wrapped in swaddling bands
And in a manger laid.”

Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith
Appeared a shining throng
Of angels praising god, who thus
Addressed their joyful song.

“All glory be to God on high
and to the earth be peace.
Goodwill henceforth from heaven to men
Begin and never cease.

Carol sheet 10 Hark the Herald angels sing.

Hark the Herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born king.
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic host proclaim
Christ is born in Bethlehem.
*Hark the Herald angels sing,
Glory to the new born king.*

Christ by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting lord.
Late in time behold him come,
Offspring of a Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see.
Hail, the incarnate deity,
Pleased as man with man to dwell
Jesus our Emmanuel.
Hark.....

Hail the Heaven born prince of peace!
Hail the son of Righteousness.
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in His wings.
Mild he lays his glory by
Born that we no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth
Born to give them second birth.
Hark.....

Carol sheet 11 Joy to the World.

Joy to the world, the lord has come,
Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare him room
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven and nature sing
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world the Saviour reigns
Let us our songs employ.
While field and floods, rocks
hills and plains.
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness.
And wonders of his love,
And wonders of his love,
And wonders and wonders of his love.

Carol sheet 17 Ding Dong Merrily on High.

Ding dong! Merrily on high
In heaven the bells are ringing.
Ding dong! Verily the sky
Is riv'n with angels singing.
Gloria, Hosanna in excelsis.

E'en so here below below
Let steeple bell be swungen.
And i-o,i-o,i-o
By priest and people sungen.
Gloria....

Pray you dutifully prime
Your matin chime ye ringers.
May you dutifully rime
Your evetime song ye singers.
Gloria...

Carol sheet 20. On Christmas night all Christians sing.

On Christmas night all Christians sing to hear the news the angels bring.
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News of great joy, news of great mirth
News of our merciful King's birth.

Then why should we on earth be so sad, since our redeemer made us glad,
Then why should we on earth be so sad, since our redeemer made us glad.
When from our sin he set us free.
All for to gain our liberty.

When sin departs before his grace ,then life and health come in its place.
When sin departs before his grace, then life and health come in its place.
Angela and we with joy may sing,
All for to see the new-born King.

All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night
All out of darkness we have light, which made the angels sing this night.
Glory to God and peace to men,
Now and for evermore Amen.

Carol sheet 21 We three Kings of Orient are.

We three kings of orient are, Bearing gifts we travel afar.
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star.
O star of wonder star of night, star with royal beauty bright.
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.

Born a king on Bethlehem plain, Gold I bring to crown him again.
King for ever ceasing never, over us all to reign/
O star....

Frankincense to offer have I, Incense owns a Deity nigh,
Prayer and praising all are raising, Worship him God most high.
O star...

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume breathes life of gathering gloom,
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying Sealed in the stone cold tomb.
O star...

Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and sacrifice,
Heaven sings Alleluia. Alleluia the earth replies.
O star...

Carol sheet 12 O Come all ye Faithful

O come all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant,
O Come ye o come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him
Born the King of Angels.

*O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore Him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord*

God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! He abhors not the Virgin's womb.
Very God,
Begotten not created.

O come....

Sing choirs of Angel,
Sing in exultation.
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above.
Glory to God
In the highest.

O come..