



# **Carols on the Green**

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2023, 6pm**

*Welcome to our Community Carols on The Green.*

*As a way of spreading Christmas cheer and bringing the whole community together, we are once again having a time singing popular carols next to the Community Christmas tree, led by our musicians.*

*Let us all fill our village with the wonderful songs of Christmas!*

***At the end we will be coming round for a retiring collection for the vital work of DENS.***

*Many thanks to all those who have made Carols on the Green possible – Holy Trinity Church, the Parish Council, the musicians from the Amersham Band and Chris Pocock.*

## **O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL**

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem

O come and behold Him, born the King of Angels

*O come, let us adore Him*

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*Christ the Lord*

God of God, Light of Light,  
lo, He abhors not the virgin's womb;  
very God, begotten not created;

Chorus

Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;  
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

Chorus

### **AWAY IN A MANGER**

Away in a manger  
No crib for a bed  
The little Lord Jesus  
Lay down His sweet head

The stars in the sky  
Look down where He lay  
The little Lord Jesus  
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing  
The poor baby wakes  
But little Lord Jesus  
No crying He makes

Bless all the dear children  
In Thy tender care  
And take us to heaven  
To live with Thee there

### **DECK THE HALLS**

Deck the halls with boughs of holly,  
Fa la la la, la la la la.  
Tis the season to be jolly,  
Fa la la la, la la la la.

Follow me in merry measure,  
Fa la la la, la la la la.  
While I tell of Yule tide treasure,  
Fa la la la, la la la la.

Sing we joyous, all together,  
Fa la la la, la la la la.  
Heedless of the wind and weather,  
Fa la la la, la la la la.

### **DING DONG, MERRILY ON HIGH!**

Ding dong, merrily on high!  
In heav'n the bells are ringing;  
ding dong, verily the sky  
is riv'n with angel singing.  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!

E'en so here below, below,  
let steeple bells be swungen,  
And io, io, io,  
by priest and people sungen.  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!

Pray ye dutifully prime  
your matin chime, ye ringers;  
may ye beautifully rhyme  
your evetime song, ye singers.  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!  
Gloria, hosannah in excelsis!

### **GOD REST YE MERRY GENTLEMEN**

God rest ye merry gentlemen  
Let nothing you dismay  
Remember Christ our Saviour  
Was born on Christmas Day  
To save us all from Satan's pow'r  
When we were gone astray  
Oh tidings of comfort and joy  
Comfort and joy  
Oh tidings of comfort and joy

In Bethlehem, in Israel  
This blessed Babe was born  
And laid within a manger  
Upon this blessed morn  
The which His Mother Mary  
Did nothing take in scorn  
Oh tidings of comfort and joy  
Comfort and joy  
Oh tidings of comfort and joy

Fear not then, said the Angel  
Let nothing you affright  
This day is born a Savior  
Of a pure Virgin bright  
To free all those who trust in Him  
From Satan's pow'r and might  
Oh tidings of comfort and joy  
Comfort and joy  
Oh tidings of comfort and joy

## **JINGLE BELLS**

Dashing through the snow  
In a one-horse open sleigh  
O'er the fields we go  
Laughing all the way  
Bells on bobtails ring  
Making spirits bright  
What fun it is to ride and sing  
A sleighing song tonight

Jingle bells, jingle bells  
Jingle all the way  
Oh, what fun it is to ride  
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey  
Jingle bells, jingle bells  
Jingle all the way  
Oh, what fun it is to ride  
In a one-horse open sleigh

A day or two ago  
The story I must tell  
I went out on the snow  
And on my back I fell  
A gent was riding by  
In a one-horse open sleigh  
He laughed as there I sprawling lie  
But quickly drove away

Chorus

**O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM,**  
O little town of Bethlehem,  
how still we see thee lie!  
Above thy 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.

For Christ is born of Mary;  
and, gathered all above,  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep  
their watch of wond'ring love.  
O morning stars, together  
proclaim the holy birth,

and praises sing to God the King,  
and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,  
the wondrous gift is giv'n!  
So God imparts to human hearts  
the blessings of His heav'n.  
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 angels,  
the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
our Lord Emmanuel!

### **RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER**

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer  
Had a very shiny nose  
And if you ever saw it  
You would even say it glows

All of the other reindeer  
Used to laugh and call him names  
They never let poor Rudolph  
Join in any reindeer games

Then one foggy Christmas Eve  
Santa came to say  
"Rudolph, with your nose so bright  
Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"

Then how the reindeer loved him  
As they shouted out with glee  
"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer  
You'll go down in history"

### **FINAL PRAYER**

May the joy of the angels,  
The eagerness of the shepherds,  
The perseverance of the wise men,

The obedience of Joseph and Mary,  
And the peace of the Christ child,  
Be yours this Christmas,  
And the blessing of God almighty,  
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
Be among us and remain with us always.

**WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS**

We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas  
We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year  
We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas  
We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year  
We wish you a merry Christmas, We wish you a merry Christmas  
We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year

Good tidings we bring to you and your kin  
We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year

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*A retiring collection for the vital work of DENS will be taken.*

*Members of Holy Trinity Church and the Parish Council, would like to wish you all a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

*We thank all those who have come together to enable this gathering to take place.*

*Mulled wine and Hot Chocolate is available from the Church porch.*