



Sri Sathya Sai Service Organisation UK

CAROLS FOR NATIONAL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Saturday, 17th December 2011

1st Carol

(1st verse SOLO:)

Once in Royal David's City stood a lowly cattle shed
Where a Mother laid Her baby in a Manger for a 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.

And our eyes at last shall see Him through His own redeeming Love,
For that child, so dear and gentle, is our Lord in heav'n above.
And He leads his children on to the place where He is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him but in Heaven, Sat at God's right hand on high.
When like stars his children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

2nd Carol

The Child's Carol

Let the whole world be told
How the wise men of old
Led from far by a star
Rarest gifts possessing
Gave them for their blessing
Of the Child, Child, Child
Of the Child, Child, Child
Of the Child, Christmas born
Love of God confessing

On that night clear and still
Shepherds came from the hill
Humble men, born again
To the village bringing
Tales of angels singing
Of the Child, Child, Child
Of the Child, Child, Child
Of the Child, Christmas born
Love of Heaven bringing

Golden sun rising high
Through the grace of that sky
Gave its light, radiant bright
To the new world's glory
In the Christmas story
For the Wise Mens' Child
And the Shepherds' Child
Is the Child, ever born
God's eternal glory



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3rd Carol

(All)

The Holly And The Ivy

When they are both full grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood
The holly bears the crown

Chorus

O the rising of the sun
And the running of the deer
The playing of the merry organ
Sweet singing in the choir

(Ladies)

The holly bears a blossom
As white as lily flower
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To be our sweet Saviour

Chorus

(Men)

The holly bears a prickle
As sharp as any thorn;
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
On Christmas Day in the morn.

Chorus

(All)

The holly and the ivy,
Now they are both full grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood,
The holly bears the crown.....Chorus

4th Carol

The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came,

His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,
Most highly favoured lady,” Gloria!

“For know a blessed mother thou shalt be,
All generations laud and honour thee,
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
Most highly favoured lady,” Gloria!



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(Ladies)

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
"To me be as it pleaseth God," she said,
"My soul shall laud and magnify His holy Name."
Most highly favoured lady, Gloria!

(All)

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say—
"Most highly favoured lady," Gloria!

5th Carol

(Children sing; adults hum)

Away In A Manger no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky, looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying He makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus!
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay close by me for ever and love me I pray.
Bless all the dear children
In Thy tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.

6th Carol

(Children lead)

Little Drummer Boy

Come they told me,
pa rum pum pum pum
A new born King to see,
pa rum pum pum pum
Our finest gifts we bring,
pa rum pum pum pum
To lay before the King,
pa rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum,



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So to honour Him,
pa rum pum pum pum,
When we come.

Little Baby,
pa rum pum pum pum
I am a poor boy too,
pa rum pum pum pum
I have no gift to bring,
pa rum pum pum pum
That's fit to give the King,
pa rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum,

Shall I play for you,
pa rum pum pum pum,
On my drum?

Mary nodded,
pa rum pum pum pum
The ox and lamb kept time,
pa rum pum pum pum
I played my drum for Him,
pa rum pum pum pum
I played my best for Him,
pa rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum,
rum pum pum pum,

Then He smiled at me,
pa rum pum pum pum
Me and my drum.

7th Carol

(All)

In The Bleak Midwinter, Frosty Wind Made Moan,

Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,
In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,
Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;
But His mother only, in her maiden bliss,



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Worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

(Men hum, ladies sing)

What can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give Him: give my heart.

8th Carol

(Men)

We Three Kings Of Orient Are

Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star

(All)

O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy Perfect Light

(Men)

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King forever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign

(All)

O Star of wonder, star of night...

(Men)

Frankincense to offer have I
Incense owns a Deity nigh
Pray'r and praising, all men raising
Worship Him, God most high

(All)

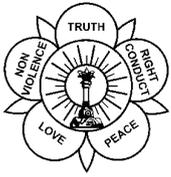
O Star of wonder, star of night...

(Men)

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume
Breathes a life of gathering gloom
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying
Sealed in the stone-cold tomb

(All)

O Star of wonder, star of night...



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(All)

Glorious now behold Him arise
King and God and Sacrifice
Alleluia, Alleluia
Earth to heav'n replies

O Star of wonder, star of night...

9th Carol

(All)

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.

(Ladies only, men hum)

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

(All)

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

10th Carol

(All)

Joy to the world! The Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart
prepare Him room,



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And heav'n and nature sing
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Joy to the earth! The saviour reigns;
Let us our songs employ;
While fields 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.

Final Carol

(All)

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 **(ladies)**
O come, let us adore Him **(ladies)**
O come, let us adore Him **(all)**
Christ the Lord.

God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Verily God, Begotten not created.
O come, let us adore Him **(ladies)**
O come, let us adore Him **(ladies)**
O come, let us adore Him **(all)**
Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above.
Glory to God, in the Highest;
O come, let us adore Him...



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After lunch:

Silent Night, Holy Night

All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight
Glories stream from heaven afar
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia!
Christ, the Saviour is born
Christ, the Saviour is born



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English Aarti

All praise to You, Lord of the Worlds
Swami Sathya Sai, our Lord
You protect devotees who cling to You
Show Your mercy to us who sing to You
Knowing You are God in human form
All praise to You, Lord of the Worlds

With captivating grace and loveliness
You do everything to bring us happiness
You're aware of all through infinite consciousness
You are master of every living thing
For devotees You're wish-fulfilling
Helping us when we are in distress
All praise to You, Lord of the Worlds

Mother, Father, Teacher and Lord
You remind us there is only one, not two
Swami, there is truly no one else but You
Master of creation, You are adored
People of all nations are striving toward
Realization of our true reward
Our unity with You, Lord of the Worlds

You are the Word of God, pure and bright
The embodiment of all true and right
Sathya Sai, fill our hearts with pure delight
Do accept our prayer and heed us
From darkness we can't bear please lead us
With Your might You make our burdens light
All praise to You, Lord of the Worlds

Narayana Narayana Om, Sathya
Narayana Narayana Narayana Om
Narayana Narayana Om, Sathya
Narayana Narayana Om, Sathya
Narayana Narayana Om
All praise to our Teacher Divine