

# Carols Around the Christmas Tree



#### **Opening Prayer**

### 1. O Come All ye Faithful

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

Sing, choir of Angels, Sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of Heaven above: 'Glory to God In the highest':



#### A short Christmas Reading

Followed by

Blessing of the Tree

# 2. Once in Royal David's City

NCE 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.

For He is our childhood's pattern; Day by day, like us, He grew; He was little, weak, and helpless, Tears and smiles, like us He knew; And He cares when we are sad, And he shares when we are glad. The children of Shrivenham School will now sing "Follow that star"

A collection, for village good causes, will take place during the next carol

# 3. The Holly and the Ivy

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:

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

The holly bears a berry, As red as any blood, And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, To do poor sinners good:

The holly bears a prickle, As sharp as any thorn, And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, On Christmas day in the morn:

The holly bears a bark, As bitter as any gall, And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ, For to redeem us all

Generations of Sound will now sing "One Candle"

# 4. Twelve Days of Christmas

On the first day of Christmas my true love sent to me
A partridge in a pear tree.

On the second day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Two turtle doves and
A partridge in a pear tree.

On the third day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Three French hens
Two turtle doves and
A partridge in a pear tree.

On the fourth day of Christmas my true love sent to me Four calling birds Three French hens Two turtle doves and A partridge in a pear tree.



On the fifth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Five gold rings
Four calling birds
Three French hens
Two turtle doves and
A partridge in a pear tree.
On the sixth day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Six geese a-laying
Five gold rings
Four calling birds
Three French hens
Two turtle doves and
A partridge in a pear tree.

On the seventh day of Christmas my true love sent to me Seven swans a-swimming Six geese a-laying Five gold rings Four calling birds Three French hens Two turtle doves and A partridge in a pear tree.

On the eighth day of Christmas my true love sent to me Eight maids a-milking Seven swans a-swimming Six geese a-laying Five gold rings Four calling birds Three French hens Two turtle doves and A partridge in a pear tree.

On the ninth day of Christmas my true love sent to me Nine ladies dancing Eight maids a-milking Seven swans a-swimming Six geese a-laying Five gold rings Four calling birds Three French hens Two turtle doves and

A partridge in a pear tree.



On the tenth day of Christmas my true love sent to me Ten Lords a-leaping Nine ladies dancing Eight maids a-milking Seven swans a-swimming Six geese a-laying Five gold rings Four calling birds Three French hens Two turtle doves and A partridge in a pear tree.



On the eleventh day of Christmas my true love sent to me Eleven pipers piping Ten Lords a-leaping Nine ladies dancing Eight maids a-milking Seven swans a-swimming Six geese a-laying Five gold rings Four calling birds Three French hens Two turtle doves and A partridge in a pear tree.



On the twelfth day of Christmas my true love sent to me Twelve drummers drumming Eleven pipers piping Ten Lords a-leaping Nine ladies dancing Eight maids a-milking Seven swans a-swimming Six geese a-laying Five gold rings Four calling birds Three French hens Two turtle doves and A partridge in a pear tree.



The Ringers from St Andrew's Church will now play "Good King Wenceslas"

The Rev. Keith Osborn will now say a few words

### **Final Blessing**

### Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

ARK! 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.

Hail the heavenly Prince of Peace. Hail the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Risen with healing in His wings. Mild, He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die, Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.

Father Christmas visits with sweets for the children





Shrivenham Amateur Dramatic Society



#### Beauty And The Beast

Shrivenham Memorial Hall

Thurs. 8th, Fri. 9th & Sat. 10th Jan - Curtain up 7.30pm Matinee Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Jan – Curtain up 2.30pm Tickets £10 Family Ticket (3 children) £30, Concessions £7.50

Tickets available from: IV Florist, Shrivenham Post Office and Shrivenham Hardware For further information please contact Julia Jones 01793 977 767

## Woozel Hunt

#### An opportunity for all the family to walk off the Christmas dinner

Dress up as huntsmen, bring mince pies for bait and have a corny joke to hand....or dress up as a saboteur and bring a placard!

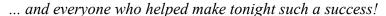
> - Boxing Day at 10.15am

Meet at the Village Christmas Tree **HOUND RACES MULLED DRINKS** MINCE PIES



#### The Village Fete Committee would like to thank the following for supporting this event:

Elm Tree Surgery and Elm Tree House, Frank Forty, IV Florist, Wroughton Silver Band, Father Christmas, Rev. Osborn, Rev. Hancock, Shrivenham Primary School, Robbie Hilsdon & Witney Cable for helping to decorate the tree



Shrivenham Village Fete Committee wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

