



RIPON GRAMMAR SCHOOL



Christmas Virtual Concert

Wednesday 9 December 2020

Solo

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.

*All Choirs, Harp
and Brass Ensemble*

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 through all his wondrous childhood
He would honour and obey,
Love and watch the lowly maiden,
In whose gentle arms he lay:
Christian children all must be
Mild, obedient, good as he.

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 feeleth for our sadness,
And he shareth in our gladness.

And our eyes at last shall see him,
Through his own redeeming love,
For that child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heaven 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,
Set at God's right hand on high;
Where like stars his children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

FIRST READING

Luke 1 : 26-35; 38

The Angel Gabriel salutes the Blessed Virgin Mary

Read by a member of the First Form

Solo

Away in a manger,
No crib for His 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.

*All Choirs, Harp
and Brass Ensemble*

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 forever
And love me I pray
Bless all the dear children
In Thy tender care
And fit us for heaven
To live with Thee there.

SECOND READING

Luke 2 : 1; 3-7

St Luke Tells of the birth of Jesus

Read by a Member of the Third Form

LOWER SCHOOL

Sing Noel!

THIRD READING

Luke 2 : 8-16

The Shepherds go to the manger

Read by the Head Boy

**SOLO, SIXTH FORM
CHOIR AND HARP**

Annunciation

FOURTH READING **Matthew 2 : 1-12**
The Wise Men are led by a star to Jesus
Read by a member of the Teaching Staff

SENIOR GIRLS'
CHOIR AND HARP **When Mary Sang**

FIFTH READING **John 1 : 1-14**
St John unfolds the great mystery of the
Incarnation
Read by the Headmaster

ALL CHOIRS
AND HARP **Mirabile Dictu**

BRASS ENSEMBLE **The Snowman**