

### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

## Children's Crib Service

4:00PM • 24th December 2023

St Peter's Cathedral, North Adelaide



Narrators: Jenny Wilson and Chris McLeod

Children are asked to sit with their families until called to play their part in the Nativity scene.

Lost children will be taken to the baptismal font near the main door.

Toilets are available at the northern side of the car park.

I'm sure parents and grandparents will be taking photos. If you are sharing photos of your own children on social media, please make sure that there are no other children in the images you share.

#### PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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.



Joseph and Mary,
Innkeepers,
Cows and Donkeys
come forward

#### PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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 our Saviour is born,
Christ our Saviour is born.



Angels and Stars come forward

#### PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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.

Hail, the heaven-born 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.
Hark, the herald-angels sing glory to the new-born King.



Shepherds and Sheep come forward

#### PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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 nis 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 swathing bands, and in a manger laid.'



Kings, pages and other children come forward

#### PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

We three kings of orient are;
Bearing gifts we traverse 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 of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.



#### PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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.

All are invited to be part of the Grand Procession round the Cathedral.

Feel free to take photos as the Procession passes you.

Please join in singing the final Carol.

#### PLEASE JOIN IN SINGING

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!

See how the shepherds,

Summoned to his cradle,

Leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear;

We too will thither bend our joyful footsteps:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

Lo, star-led chieftains magi, Christ adoring, offer him incense, gold, and myrrh:

We to the Christ-child bring our hearts' oblations:

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

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

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

#### The Blessing



#### Retiring Collection

As you leave, there are people at the door holding collection bags. Please give so this Cathedral and its services can continue.

#### WITH THANKS TO

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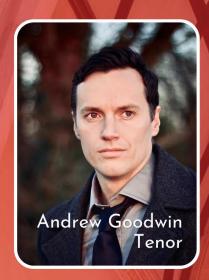
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