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PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS! **and please do sit at any part of the Liturgy if you are more comfortable doing so. We appreciate that the choir cannot wear masks while singing but the congregation must, on the recent recommendation of the CofE, to keep everyone safe.**

OPENING ORGAN MUSIC - Chorale Prelude On Wacht Auf By Bach

Processional Carol – Once in Royal David’s City
(v1 solo, v2 choir, vv3-6 All)

THE BIDDING PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Lesson 1 Genesis 3, 8-15 - *Read by Nick Cottam (Chair of Friends of St Mary’s)*

Lighting of 4 Advent Candles (after which a special prayer is said
and then everyone’s candles are lit in silence.)

Choir Adam Lay Ybounden - Anon

Carol 20 On Christmas Night All Christians Sing
(v1 Choir, v2 Tenor and bass voices, v3 Sopranos, v4 – All)

Lesson 2 Genesis 22. 15-18 - *read by Jackie Shipley, one of our Bellringers*

Choir The Heavens Are Telling - Joseph Haydn

Lesson 3 Isaiah 9, 2,6-7 - *read by Rachel Mayes, one of our new Sidespeople*

Choir Star Carol – John Rutter

Carol 14 It Came Upon A Midnight Clear

Lesson 4 Micah 5. 2-4 - *read by Anna Ashton, a member of our congregation*

Carol 1 O Little Town Of Bethlehem

Lesson 5 Luke 1. 26-33, 38 *read by Tony Waller, one of our Elders*

Choir [A Maiden Most Gentle - Andrew Carter](#)

Carol 6 **Away In A Manger**

Lesson 6 Matthew 1. 18-23 - *read by Karen Read, Head of St Mary's CE Primary*

Clarinet solo – Andrew McCullough
O Tannenbaum – Trad. & O Holy Night – Adolphe Adam

Lesson 7 Luke 2. 8-16 - *read by Sue Smith-Lyte, Church Flower Group*

Choir [The Shepherd's Farewell – Hector Berlioz](#)

Carol 7 **While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks By Night**

Lesson 8 Matthew 2. 1-12 - *read by David Sharples, one of our Churchwardens*

Carol 13 **Silent Night - (please remain standing at the end)**

Lesson 9 John 1. 1-14 - *read by our Rector, Fr Nigel*

Carol 12 **O Come All Ye Faithful (v 1 – 3 only)**

CONCLUDING RESPONSORY

The night is far spent, the day is at hand.
Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness
and put on the armour of light.
Come O Lord, comfort the soul of your servant

All **Even so, Lord, come.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, come
All **at evening time, with light,**
and in the morning, with your glory.

All **to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

He who receives our prayers says:
Surely I come quickly
I am the root and offspring of David,
I am the bright and morning star.

All **Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.**

Carol 10 **Hark The Herald Angels Sing**

FINAL BLESSING

Organ Exit Music

Chorale prelude on In Dulci Jubilo & Prelude on Adeste Fideles by Herbert Sumsion.
(Retiring collection for St Mary's House Project – Thank you!)