

St Mary the Virgin, Finedon  
Christmas Carol Service 2019

Order of Service

Organ: *In Dulci Jubilo* BWV 729 by J.S. Bach

**19 – Once in royal David’s city**

(Verse 1: solo; Verse 2: choir only)

Bidding prayer

Lesson One: God Pronounces Judgement

Genesis 3.8-15.17-19

Choir: *Adam lay ye bounden* by Boris Ord

Lesson Two: God Blesses Abraham and his descendants

Genesis 22.15-18

Choir: *The truth from above* by R. Vaughan Williams

**12 – O Come, all ye faithful**

Lesson Three: Prophecy of a future King

Isaiah 9.2-7

Choir: *Hush my dear* by Chris Hutchings

Lesson Four: A new King from David’s Descendants

Isaiah 11.1-4.6-9

**1 – O little town of Bethlehem**

Choir: *Bogoroditse Devo* by Sergei Rachmaninoff

Lesson Five: Angel Gabriel visits Mary

Luke 1.26-35.38

Choir: *Away in a manger* arranged by R. Jacques

Choir: *Gaudete* from *Piae Cantiones* (1582)

Lesson Six: A Child is born

Luke 2.1.3-7

**8 – See amid the winter’s snow**

Lesson Seven: Angels visit the Shepherds

Luke 2.8-16

**7 – While shepherds watched**

Choir: *In the bleak mid-winter* by Harold Darke

Lesson Eight: The Wise Men visit

Matthew 2.1-12

**5 – The first Nowell**

Lesson Nine: The Word of Life

John 1.1-14

Intercessions

**10 – Hark! the herald-angels sing**

(A collection will be taken during this carol)

Blessing

Organ Voluntary: *Rhapsodie sur des Noels* by E. Gigout

You will be welcomed at any of our Christmas Services:

Christmas Eve

Midnight Mass at 11.30pm

Christmas Day

Services at 8.00am & 9.30am

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Epiphany Carol Service at 6.00pm