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RECITAL OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH

Tuesday, December 21st. 8 p.m.



JERSEY FESTIVAL CHOIR
ST. CECILIA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Conductor: John Lobb

Organist: Stanley Sackett, A.R.A.M., F.R.C.O.

JUNIOR FESTIVAL CHOIR

Conductor: Amy Luce

Solo Soprano : Audrey Lobb

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Choir and Congregation:

Mendelssohn, Descant David Willcocks

- Verse 1. 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.
- Verse 2. 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.
 Hark! the Herald Angels sing, etc.
- Verse 3. 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, etc.

MESSIAH MISCELLANY

G. F. Handel

Pastoral Symphony

Recit: There were Shepherds

And lo! The angel of the Lord And the angel said unto them

And suddenly

Solo : Audrey Lobb

2 Chorus : Glory to God.

Choir and Congregation : Unto us is born a Son Arr. David Willcocks

- Verse 1. Unto us is born a Son,
 King of quires supernal.
 See on earth His life begun,
 Of lords the Lord eternal.
 - Verse 2. Christ from heaven descending low,
 Comes on earth a stranger,
 Ox and ass their owner know,
 Becradled in a manger.
 - Verse 3. Gentlemen only

 This did Herod sore affray
 And grievously bewilder,
 So he gave the word to slay,
 And slew the little childer.
 - Verse 4. Choir only (Ladies)
 - Verse 5. O and A and A and O.

 Cum cantibus in Choro,

 Let our merry organ go,

 Benedicamus Domino.
- 4 Choir : Adam Lay Ybounden Boris Owl

 Junior Choir : "Joseph Dearest" Trad. German Carol
 arr. Imogen Holst

Congregational Carol:

English Traditional arr. David Willcocks

 God rest you merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay, For Jesus Christ our Saviour Was born upon this day, To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray:

> O tidings of comfort and joy, Comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

2. Verse 2 choir only.

3. The shepherds at those tidings Rejoicéd much in mind, And left their flocks a-feeding, In tempest, storm and wind, And went to Bethlehem straightway This blesséd Babe to find:

O tidings of comfort and joy.

4. Verse 4 choir only.

Now to the Lord sing praises,
 All you within this place,
 And with true love and brotherhood
 Each other now embrace;
 This holy tide of Christmas
 All others doth deface:

O tidings of comfort and joy.

6	Choir : Il Est Né Le Divin Enfant French Traditional arr. John Rutter
	Junior Choir : a) "O Little One Sweet" German Carol arr. I. Holst
	b) Born is He Polish Carol
	Organ Solo : Paean on "Divinum Mysterium" John Cook Stanley Sackett.

Choir and Congregation:

English Traditional arr. David Willcocks

The first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep:

Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel!

2. Choir only.

And by the light of that same star,
 Three wise men came from country far;
 To seek for a King was their intent,
 And to follow the star wherever it went:

Nowell, Nowell

 This star drew nigh to the north-west; O'er Bethlehem it took its rest, And there it did both stop and stay Right over the place where Jesus lay:

Nowell, Nowell

5. Choir only.

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heav'nly Lord,
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught,
And with His blood mankind hath bought:

Nowell, Nowell

Choir and Congregation:

F. Gruber

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Verse 1. Still the night, holy the night!
Sleeps the world; hid from sight,
Mary and Joseph in stable bare
Watch o'er the Child beloved and fair,
Sleeping in heavenly rest.

Verse 2. Still the night, holy the night!
Shepherds first saw the light,
Heard resounding clear and long,
Far and near, the angel-song,
Christ the Redeemer is here.

Verse 3. Still the night, holy the night!
Son of God, O how bright
Love is smiling from Thy face!
Strikes for us now the hour of grace,
Saviour, since Thou art born!

Soloist : Audrey Lobb

with Choir : Minuit Chrétiens

From "Noël", Adolphe Adam

Appeal by Senator R. Shenton on behalf of J.A.S.B.A.H.

Choir and Congregation: O Come all ye Faithful arr. David Willcocks

Verse 1. 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, Christ the Lord.

- Verse 2. God of Gods,
 Light of Lights,
 Lo He abhors not the Virgin's womb,
 Very God, begotten not created:
 O come, etc.
- Verse 3. 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, etc.
- Verse 4. Lo, star-led chieftains,
 Magi, Christ adoring,
 Offer Him incense, gold and myrrh,
 We to the Christ Child
 Bring our hearts' oblations:
 O come, etc.
- Verse 5. Sing choirs of angels,
 Sing in exultation,
 Sing all ye citizens of heaven above,
 Glory to God in the Highest:
 O come, etc.
- Verse 6. Yea, Lord we greet Thee,
 Born this happy morning,
 Jesu to Thee be glory given;
 Word of the Father
 Now in flesh appearing:
 O come, etc.

THE BLESSING — Père Chuffart

During the singing of the last hymn, a collection will be taken in aid of J.A.S.B.A.H