

# **Festive Family Concert**



Saturday 14 December 2019
St Mary's Church, Banbury

**Programme Free** 



# **Concert Dates for Your Diary**

# Spring Concert Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2020

The Perfect Fool – Holst

Symphonic Metamorphosis – Hindemith

Harold in Italy – Berlioz

7.30 pm – Deddington Church

# Banbury Chamber Orchestra Chamber Concert Sunday 17th May 2020

Overture *Coriolan* – Beethoven
Sinfonia Concertante for Four Winds – Mozart
Symphony No.6 - Schubert

3.30 pm – Hook Norton Church

**Tickets from** banburysymphony.org

#### Welcome to St. Mary's Church, Banbury

We hope you're all going to have a great time at our Festive Family Concert!

Christmas is a special time for children so we're very happy to be playing **The Snowman** for you this afternoon. It's hard to believe that Raymond Briggs' wonderful picture book first came out in 1978, with the animated television film appearing in 1982. The Snowman music and words that we perform today are by Howard Blake and are closely related to his original film soundtrack.

As well as the music for The Snowman, we have lots of other festive tunes lined up for you this afternoon, including Christmas Movie music, other Christmas tunes and carols, and not forgetting Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer! Please sing along with the words in the programme!

St Mary's has organised a retiring collection for their Christmas charities please support them generously in the spirit of Christmas.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Ian McCubbin

Chair, Banbury Symphony Orchestra



### **Programme**

Carols marked \* are for audience participation; please sing along!

#### A Christmas Festival Overture

#### The Snowman

Narrator: Jonathan Rowe Soloist: Caroline Humphrys

#### Interval

(Refreshments available)

**Christmas at The Movies** 

Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer\*

Let it Snow! Let it Snow! Let it Snow!

The First Nowell\*

Sleigh Ride

Hark! The Herald-Angels Sing\*

**Merry Christmas Everybody** 

# Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer

#### **Johnny Marks**

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Had a very shiny nose And if you ever saw it You would even say it glows.

All of the other reindeer
Used to laugh and call him names
They never let poor Rudolph
Join in any reindeer games.

Then one foggy Christmas Eve Santa came to say: "Rudolph with your nose so bright, Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?"

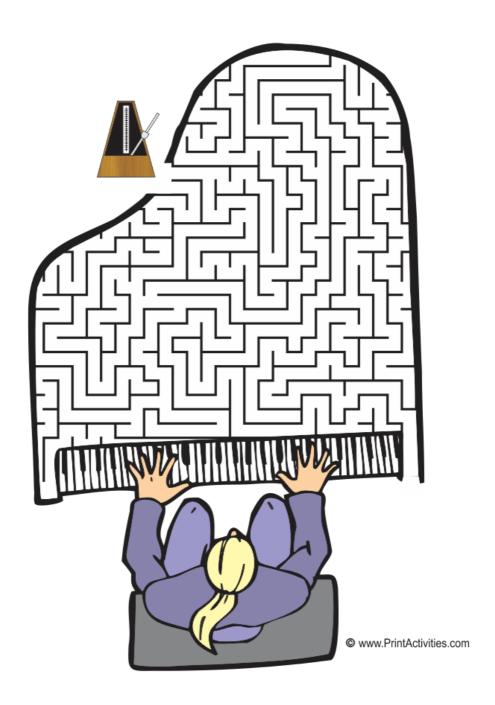
Then how the reindeer loved him As they shouted out with glee: "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, You'll go down in history!"

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#### The First Nowell

English trad. arr. 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,
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night:
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!

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, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!

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, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!





# Hark! The Herald-Angels Sing

Mendelssohn arr. Willcocks

Hark! the herald-angels sing Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled: Joyful all ye nations rise, Join the triumph of the skies, With th'angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem. Hark! the herald-angels sing Glory to the newborn King.

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb:
Veiled in flesh the God-head see,
Hail th'incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald-angels sing
Glory to the newborn King.

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Ris'n 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 newborn King.





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CANDY CANES CAROLS

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