

Carryduff Parish and Killaney Parish
Combined Carols at Christmas
at St Andrew's Church
on Sunday 18th December at 3.00 pm
Followed by refreshments



*Solo 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.*
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2 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.

5 And our eyes at last shall see him,
through his own redeeming love,
for that child so dear and gentle
is our Lord in heaven above;
and he leads his children on
to the place where he is gone.

6 Not in that poor lowly stable,
with the oxen standing by,
we shall see him; but in heaven,
set at God's right hand on high;
when like stars his children crowned
all in white shall wait around.

Greeting and Introduction

Lesson 1: Genesis 3.8-15 The Fall

Hymn 182: Silent Night

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.

2 Silent night, holy night,
shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Saviour is born!
Christ, the Saviour is born!

Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light,
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

Lesson 2: Isaiah 9.2,6,7 Isaiah announces the Coming King

Solo: When a child is born

Lesson 3: Micah 5.2-4 God promises a Ruler from Bethlehem

Hymn 174: O little town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem,
how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by;
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting Light;
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.

2 O morning stars, together
proclaim the holy birth,
and praises sing to God the King,
and peace to all on earth;
For Christ is born of Mary;
and, gathered all above,
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.

3 How silently, how silently,
the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming;
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him,
still
the dear Christ enters in.

4 O holy child of Bethlehem,
descend to us, we pray;
cast out our sin, and enter in,
be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell:
O come to us, abide with us,
our Lord, Emmanuel.

Lesson 4: Luke 1.26–33, 38 The angel comes to Mary

Hymn 139: The angel Gabriel from heaven came

The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,
most highly favoured lady,” Gloria!

“For know a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
all generations laud and honor thee,
thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
most highly favoured lady,” Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
“To me be as it pleaseth God,” she said,
“my soul shall laud and magnify his holy Name.”
Most highly favoured lady, Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say—
“Most highly favoured lady,” Gloria!

Lesson 5: Matthew 1.18–25 God’s purpose is explained to Joseph

Hymn 149: Away in a manger.

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 you, Lord Jesus; look down from on high,
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask you to stay
close by me for ever, and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in your tender care,
and fit us for heaven, to live with you there.

Lesson 6: Luke 2.1–7 Jesus is Born

Hymn 166: Joy to the world

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev’ry heart prepare him room,
and heav’n and nature sing,
and heav’n and nature sing,
and heav’n, and heav’n and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns!
Let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Lesson 7: Luke 2.8–20 The Shepherds Go to the Manger

Offering Hymn 162: In the bleak midwinter, v 1,2,3,5

In the bleak mid-winter frosty wind made moan,
earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone:
snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,
in the bleak mid-winter, long ago.

men only

2 Our God, heav’n cannot hold him, nor earth sustain;
heav’n and earth shall flee away when he comes to reign:
in the bleak mid-winter a stable-place sufficed
the Lord God almighty, Jesus Christ.

women only

3 Enough for him, whom cherubim worship night and day,
a breastful of milk and a manger full of hay;
enough for him, whom angels fall down before,
the ox and ass and camel which adore.

5 What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;
yet what I can I give him, give my heart.

Lesson 8: Matthew 2.1–12 Travellers Come from the East

Solo: O Holy Night

Lesson 9: John 1.1–14 The Word Becomes Flesh (please stand)

A Collect for Christmas Eve

The Christmas Blessing

Hymn 160: Hark! the herald-angels sing

1 Hark! the herald-angels sing
glory to the new-born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful, all you 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.*

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 us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel:

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 we no more may die;
born to raise each child of earth,
born to give us second birth:

Celebrating Christmas and New Year together

Wednesday 21 December

10:00 Midweek Communion & Mince Pies in Carryduff

Saturday 24 December

11:00 Carols and Communion in Carryduff *refreshments served at 11:00*

Christmas Day 25 December

8:30 Early Communion in Carryduff

9:30 Christmas Communion at Killaney

10:30 Christmas Morning Worship in Carryduff

1 January The Naming of Jesus

8:30 Early Communion in Carryduff

10:00 New Year Communion in Carryduff

12:00 New Year Communion in Killaney