

Advent Concert

PIPE ORGAN RECITAL

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WITH MEMBERS OF
THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER, 7.30PM
CATHEDRAL OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER



1. DAQUIN: NOEL I

2. BACH- GOUNOD: AVE MARIA

3. O COME DIVINE MESSIAH

O Come divine Messiah!
The world in silence waits the day
when hope shall sing its triumph,
and sadness flee away.

*Dear Saviour, haste!
Come, come to earth and show your face,
dispel the night and bid us hail the dawn of grace.
O Come, divine Messiah!
The world in silence waits the day
when hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away.*

O Come, desired of nations,
whom priest and prophet long foretold,
come break the captive fetters, redeem the long lost fold.

O Come in peace and meekness,
and lowly will your cradle be:
all clothed in human weakness shall we your Godhead see.

Text: Abbe Simon-Joseph Pellegrin, 1663-1745; trans Sr Mary of St Philip, 1877, alt.

READING FROM” NEW SONGS OF NOEL “ BY LOUCAS LE MOIGNE PUBLISHED
IN 1520.

4. DAQUIN: NOEL II

Variations on the theme of “ Now tell Us Mary “
En Dialogue, Duo et Trio

5. BALBASTRE: *JOSEPH EST BIEN MARIE* (JOSEPH IS MARRIED INDEED)

Joseph is indeed married to the daughter of Jesse.
It was a very new thing To be a mother and a virgin.
God had worked on it: Joseph is indeed married.

And when it was at first That God wanted to save us
He brought down to earth His only son Jesus
to take In Mary humanity
Joseph is indeed married.

When Joseph saw that the woman had conceived
He was not satisfied with it, He was angry with Mary,
And wanted to leave
Joseph is indeed married.

But the angel said to him: Joseph, do not be angry,
Your holy wife Mary Is pregnant with the fruit of life.
She conceived without sin: Joseph is truly married.

The angels came there To see the Redeemer Jesus.
Very beautiful company, Then in a loud voice pretty Gloria they sang
Joseph is well married.

Or let us pray devoutly With all our hearts and humbly.
May peace, joy and good life impel Dame Marie to our need
Joseph is well married.

6. BALBASTRE: *VOTRE BONTE O GRAN DIEU* - YOUR GOODNESS O GREAT GOD

READING LUKE 2-20

7. OLIVIER MESIAEN: *LES BERGERS* - THE SHEPHERDS

8. WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS

While shepherds watched
their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around.

“Fear not,” said he, for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled mind;
“Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind.”

“To you, in David’s town, this day
Is born of David’s line
A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;
And this shall be the sign:”

*Text: based Luke 2:8-14; Nahun Tate, 1652-1715 and Nicholas Brady 1659-c.1726 alt.
Tune: WINCHESTER OLD*

READING FROM HEBREWS 10: 5-7

9. OLIVIER MESSIAEN: *JESUS ACCEPTE LA SOUFFRANCE* - JESUS ACCEPTS SUFFERING

10. MOZART: LAUDATE DOMINUM

READING JOHN 1:14

READING LUKE 1: 46

11. OLIVER MESSIAEN: *DIEU PARMY NOUS* - GOD AMONG US