



Great Sacred Music

Christmas around the world

1pm Thursday 16 December 2021

A 35-minute sequence to speak to heart, head and soul, led by **Revd Dr Sam Wells**, exploring through song and word the great classical music of our religious heritage.

Performed by **St Martin's Voices**
Directed by **Andrew Earis**
Accompanied by **Polina Sosnina**

Choir: O Tannenbaum – arr. John Rutter

Carol: O little town of Bethlehem

Choir: Quelle est celle odeur agreable – arr. John Rutter

Choir: I wonder as I wander – arr. John Rutter

Choir: Infant holy, infant lowly – arr. David Willcocks

Carol: Silent Night

Choir: Zither Carol – Malcolm Sargeant

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O little town of Bethlehem (t. Forest Green)

- 1 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 to-night.
- 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.

Silent night **(t. Stille Nacht)**

- 1 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.
- 2 Silent night, holy night.
Shepherds quake at the sight,
glories stream from heaven afar,
heav'nly hosts sing 'alleluia:
Christ, the Saviour is born'.
- 3 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.

Stille nacht! Heilige Nacht! Joseph Mohr (1792-1848)
Translated John Freeman Young (1820-1885)

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