

Church of Our Lady of Refuge ,Rathmines
Sunday 17th December 2017



Entrance: WHEN HOPE CAME DOWN

So this is how it was, a silent night like any other
When heaven sent the one, the one that we will
call our Saviour

And redemption began in a stable in Bethlehem

Ch: All of the angels lifted up their voices
And filled the night with Halleluiahs
God is with us now
Everyone come and join the heavenly chorus
Our Saviour King is here before us
All to hear the sound, the song creation sang
When hope came down

So this was truly God, wrapped up in a tattered
blanket
Love was finally here, sleeping while the world
awakens
And redemption began with a baby in Bethlehem
Chorus

So let us sing redemption song
Let us worship Christ the holy one
We were lost but we were found
When hope came down
Chorus

Psalm: Light of the Stable

Hail, hail to the new born King
Let our voices sing Him our praises
Hail, hail to the guiding light
That brought us tonight to our Saviour

Ch: Alle, **Alleluia** [x4]

**Come now where it shines so bright
To the glowing light of the stable
Kneel close to the child so dear
Cast aside your fears and be thankful**

Offertory: CHRISTMAS MUST BE TONIGHT

Come down to the manger, see the little stranger
Wrapped in swaddling clothes, the Prince of Peace
The wheels start turning, torches start burning
And the three wise men turn in from the East

Chorus: How a little baby boy brought the people so
much joy, Son of a carpenter, Mary carried the light,
This must be Christmas, must be tonight

A shepherd on a hillside, where over my flock I bide
On a cold winter night, a band of angels sing
And I dreamed I heard a voice, saying fear not, come
rejoice
It's the end of the beginning, praise the new born king
Chorus

I saw it with my own eyes, written up in the skies
But why a simple herdsman such as I
And then it came to pass, that he was born at last
Right below the star that shines on high
Chorus



Acclamation: GAUDETE

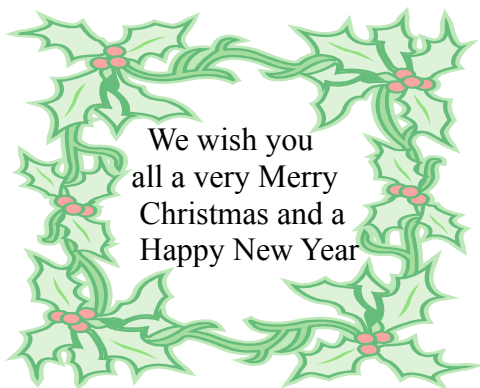
Gaudete, gaudete Christus est natus
Ex Maria Virgine, gaudete

Communion: 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

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



Reflection:

When the song of the angels is stilled
When the star in the sky is gone
When the kings and princes are
home,
When the shepherds are back with
their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among people
To make music in the heart

Recessional: DO YOU HEAR

Do you hear what I hear (what I hear) (what I
hear)
Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy
Do you hear what I hear (do you hear what I hear)
Moving through the night, shepherd boy
Do you hear what I hear (do you hear what I hear)
A song, a song, high above the tree
With a voice as big as the sea, With a voice as big
as the sea

Now said the shepherd boy to the mighty king
Do you know what I know (do you know what I
know)
In your palace warm, mighty King
Do you know what I know (do you know what I
know)
A child, a child shivers in the cold
Let us bring Him silver and gold, Let us bring
Him silver and gold

Said the king to the people everywhere
Listen to what I saw (listen to what I say)
For peace and people everywhere
Listen to what I say (listen to what I say)
A child, a child sleeping in the night
He will bring us through darkness to light, He
will bring us through darkness to light

Do you hear what I hear (do you hear what I
hear), (do you hear what I hear) [x4]