

# Wexford Carol

arranged by Simon Biazeck  
for five-part mixed choir (S.S.A.T.B.) a cappella

*Quire* EDITIONS

for Patrick Russill  
and the Senior & Junior Choirs of the London Oratory

# Wexford Carol

Traditional

Irish traditional carol  
arr. SIMON BIAZECK

With vigour (♩ = c. 70)

SOPRANO I *mf*

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SOPRANO I *mf*

SOPRANO II *mf*

ALTO *mf*

TENOR *mf*

BASS *mf*

KEYBOARD  
(for rehearsal only) *mf*

20 SOP. I & II

hap - py tide The no - ble Vir - gin and her guide Were

hap - - py tide The no - ble Vir - gin and her guide Were

hap - py tide The no - ble Vir - gin and her guide Were

hap - py tide The no - ble Vir - gin and her guide

23

long time seek - - ing up and down To

long time seek - ing up and down

long time seek - ing up and down To

Were long time seek - ing up and down To

25

find a lodg - ing in the town. But mark how all things  
But mark right well what

To find a lodg - ing in the town. But mark  
But mark

find a lodg - ing in the town. But mark how  
But mark right

find a lodg - ing in the town. But mark how  
But mark right

find a lodg - ing in the town. But mark how  
But mark right

*ritmico*

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came to pass; From ev' - ry door re - pelled, a - las! As  
came to pass:

how all things came to pass; re - pelled, a - las!  
right well what came to pass;

all well things came to pass; From ev' - ry door re - pelled, a - las!  
well what came to pass;

all well things came to pass; From ev' - ry door re - pelled, a - las!  
well what came to pass:

*più espress.*

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long fore - told, their re - fuge all Was but an hum - ble  
*was*  
*più espress.*

As long fore - told, their re - fuge all Was but an hum - ble  
*was*  
*più espress.*

As long fore - told, their re - fuge all was but an hum - ble  
*was*  
*più espress.*

As long fore - told their re - fuge all was but an hum - ble  
*was*  
*più espress.*

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SOP. I  
 o - x's stall. ah ah ah  
*mp chiaro*

SOP. II  
 o - x's stall. 2. There were three wise men  
*f*

o - x's stall. 2. There were three wise men from a -  
*mf*

o - x's stall. 2. There were three wise men from a - far Di -  
*f*

o - x's stall. ah ah  
*mp chiaro*

o - x's stall. ah ah  
*mp chiaro*

o - x's stall. ah ah  
*mf*  
*f*  
*mp chiaro*

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ah ah ah ah

from a - far Di - rect - ed by a glo - rious star, And

far Di - rect - ed by a glo - rious star, And on they\_

rect - ed by a glo - rious star, And on they\_ wan - dered

ah ah ah ah

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ah ah ah ah ah

on they\_ wan - dered night and day Un - til they came\_ where

wan - dered night and day Un - til they came\_ where Je - sus

night and day Un - til they came\_ where Je - sus lay, And

ah ah ah ah ah

*mf*

*mf*

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*poco dim.* *p*

ah ah

*mf*

Je - sus lay, And when they came un - to that place Where

*mp*

lay, And when they came un - to that place Where our be -

when they came un - to that place Where our be - lo - ved Mes -

*poco dim.* *p*

ah ah

*mp poco dim.* *p*

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ah ah ah

our be - lo - ved Mes - si - ah was, They hum - bly cast them

lo - ved Mes - si - ah was, They hum - bly cast them at his

si - ah was, They hum - bly cast them at his feet, With

ah ah ah

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ah ah ah 4. Near

at his feet, With gifts of gold and in-cense sweet.

feet, With gifts of gold and in-cense sweet.

gifts of gold and in-cense sweet.

breve mf

53 SOP. I & II

Beth-le-hem did shep-herds keep Their flocks of lambs and

*mf* Semi-chorus (ad lib.)

4. Near Beth-le-hem did shep-herds keep Their flocks of lambs

*mf* Semi-chorus (ad lib.)

4. Near Beth-le-hem did shep-herds keep Their flocks of lambs

*mf* Semi-chorus (ad lib.)

4. Near Beth-le-hem did shep-herds keep Their flocks of lambs and

*mf*



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feed - ing sheep; To whom God's an - - gels did ap - pear, Which  
 and feed - ing sheep; To whom God's an - gels did ap - pear,  
 and feed - ing sheep; To whom God's an - gels did ap - pear, Which  
 feed - ing sheep; To whom God's an - gels did ap - pear, Which

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SOP. I *più f*

put the shep - herds in great fear. the

SOP. II *più f*

put the shep - herds in great fear. "Pre - pare and go",—

*più f*

— Which put the shep - herds in great fear. "Pre - pare

*più f*

put the shep - herds in great fear. "Pre - pare and

*più f*

put the shep - herds in great fear. "Pre - pare and

*ritmico*

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an - gels said. *f* For

"To Beth - le - hem, be not a - fraid: *f* For

and go. To Beth - le - hem be not a - fraid:

go", the an - gels said. "To Beth - le - hem, be not a - fraid:

go", the an - gels said. "To Beth - le - hem, be not a - fraid:

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there you'll find, this hap - py morn, A prince - ly babe, sweet

there you'll find, this hap - py morn, A prince - ly babe, sweet

*f* For there you'll find, this hap - py morn, A prince - ly babe, sweet

*f* For there you'll find, this hap - py morn, A prince - ly babe, sweet

*f* For there you'll find, this hap - py morn, A prince - ly babe, sweet

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Je - sus born. 5. With thank-ful heart and joy-ful mind, The

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+ TEN. *ad lib.* *f*

Je - sus born. 5. With thank - ful heart and joy - ful mind, — The

+ BAR. *ad lib.* *f*

Je - sus born. 5. With thank - ful heart and joy - ful mind, — The

Je - sus born. 5. With thank - ful heart and joy - ful mind, — The

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shep - herds went the babe to find, And as God's an - - gel

The shep - herds went the babe to find, And as God's an -

shep - herds went the babe to find, And as God's an - gel

shep - herds went the babe to find, And as God's an - gel

shep - herds went the babe to find, And as God's an - gel

75

had fore - told, They did our sa - viour Christ be - hold. With -  
 - gels had fore - told, They did our sa - viour Christ be - hold.  
 had fore - told, They did our sa - viour Christ be - hold. With -  
 had fore - told, They did our sa - viour Christ be - hold With -  
 had fore - told They did our sa - viour Christ be - hold. With -

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in a man - ger he was laid, And by his side the  
 — With-in a man - ger he was laid, And by his side  
 in a man - ger he was laid, And by his side the  
 in a man - ger he was laid, And by his side the  
 in a man - ger he was laid, And by his side the

81 *poco a poco cresc.*

vir - gin maid, At - ten - ding on the Lord of life, Who

the vir - gin maid, At - ten - ding on the Lord of life,

vir - gin maid, At - ten - ding on the Lord of life, Who

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*poco a poco cresc.*

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came on earth to end all strife. Good

Who came on earth to end all strife. Good

came on earth to end all strife. Good

came on earth to end all strife. Good

came on earth to end all strife. Good

*f*

88 SOP. I & II

peo - ple\_ all, this Christ - mas - time, Con - si - der well\_ and bear in mind

peo - ple\_ all, this Christ - mas - time, Con - si - der well\_ and bear in mind *f* What

peo - ple\_ all, this Christ - mas - time, Con - si - der well\_ and bear in mind

peo - ple\_ all, this Christ - mas - time, Con - si - der well\_ and bear in mind *f* What

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our good God for us has done In sen - ding his\_ be - lo - ved Son. With *più espress.*

our good God for us has done In sen - ding his\_ be - lo - ved Son. *più espress.*

our good God for us has done In sen - ding his\_ be - lo - ved Son. With *più espress.*

our good God for us has done In sen - ding his\_ be - lo - ved Son. *più espress.*

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Ma - ry ho - - ly we should pray To God with love this

*più espress.*

...we should pray To God with love this

Ma - ry ho - - ly we should pray To God with love this

*più espress.*

...we should pray To God with love this

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*più f* **poco allarg.** **a little slower**

Christ - mas day; In Beth - le - hem up - on that morn There

*più f*

Christ - mas day; In Beth - le - hem up - on that morn There

*più f*

Christ - mas day; In Beth - le - hem up - on that morn There

*più f*

Christ - mas day; In Beth - le - hem up - on that morn There

*più f* **poco allarg.** **a little slower**

103 rit.

was a bles-sed Mes - si - ah born.

was a bles-sed Mes - si - ah born. *mf* Christ our sa - viour is born!

was a bles-sed Mes - si - ah born. *mf* Our sa - viour is born!  
Christ is born!

was a bles-sed Mes - si - ah born. *mf* Christ is born!

rit.

4'39"

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