Nativity - The First Christmas Day - 2025

OSCAR - Narrator 1

This is the story of how a very special baby was born in a stable in Bethlehem over two thousand years ago.

It was the first Christmas day!

1. The First Christmas Day (track 6 Whoops)

Mary enters centre stage.

JAMIE - Narrator 2

Our story begins in a town called Nazareth. There lived a young women called Mary.

She was a special person who loved God very much. She was going to marry a man called Joseph.

TOM - Narrator 3

One night, something very unexpected happened; an angel appeared to Mary.

She was very surprised. It was the Angel Gabriel sent from God.

Angel Gabriel enters and stands next to Mary. She looks surprised.

2. Mary's Angel (track 1 Mary's Knitting)

ENFYS - Angel Gabriel

The Angel Gabriel said, "Mary, don't be frightened. God loves you and He has chosen you to do something very special.

He is sending his own son to earth and he knows that you will be the best mother for him. His name will be Jesus".

HATTIE - Mary

Mary said, "I want to serve God; so let these things happen, just the way you have said".

Angel Gabriel off stage. Joseph onstage.

SYLVIE - Narrator 4

Mary told Joseph about what the angel had said. They thought about the goodness of God and knelt down to pray.

Mary and Joseph kneel and pray.

GABE - Narrator 5

One day, months later, there was a knock at the door and standing there was a Roman solider with a message.

Roman solider march on stage.

TOBIAS - Narrator 6

He said, "Caesar Augustus orders you to go to your hometown to be counted for the census."

Roman Solider off stage.

SAM - Joseph

Joseph was worried. It was nearly the time for Mary to have her baby.

He said to her, "We will have to travel to my hometown of Bethlehem. I'll go and get our donkey".

SEBBY - Narrator 7

So Mary rode on a donkey and Joseph showed them the way to Bethlehem. It was a long journey and she was very tired.

Mary and Joseph & donkey walk around the church.

3. Little Donkey (Megan CD)

Innkeepers on stage.

ADAM - Narrator 8

Lots of other families had also arrived in Bethlehem and the town was very crowded. Every hotel, inn and boarding house was full.

Mary and Joseph & donkey on stage.

DARCEY - Narrator 9

They knocked on every door, hoping that someone would have a spare room.

4. No room, no room (track 4 Born in a Barn)

SAM - Joseph

Joseph asked, "Please can we have a room for the night?"

GRACE - Innkeeper 1

The first innkeeper said, "Sorry there's no room, it's packed tight!"

Mary and Joseph travel to the next Inn.

HATTIE - Mary:

Mary said, "Do you have a room we could rest in?"

JACOB - Innkeeper 2

The second innkeeper said, "Sorry, there's no room. Look somewhere else."

SAM - Joseph:

Joseph was getting very concerned, "As you can see, we need to rest, please help us."

JUDE - Narrator 10

The third Innkeeper had no room either but felt sorry for them. He had an idea.

JAMIE - Innkeeper 3

He said kindly, "I can see something special about you two. I'd like to help, so this is what I'll do.

Because you clearly have a need, you can sleep in the stable where the animals feed."

CHAIRS AND MANGER ON. Innkeeper 3 shows them the stable and Innkeepers leave stage. Mary and Joseph sit. Animals on.

ED - Narrator 11

So it came to pass that the Son of God was born in a stable, surrounded by animals.

Mary and Joseph were full of joy and they named the baby Jesus.

Angel Gabriel brings baby Jesus to Mary

5. Away in a Manger

MILA - Narrator 12

It was night-time and all around was quiet. The animals in the stable watched as Jesus fell asleep.

Year 1 animals on the stage.

6. Born in a Barn (Year 1) (track 8 Born in a Barn)

ARLO - Narrator 13

It was a cold night, so Mary wrapped baby Jesus in a blanket and held him close as it began to snow.

Snowflakes on stage

7. Six little snowflakes (track 3 Whoops)

Snowflakes go to the back of the stage on the sides.

XAVIER - Narrator 14

On a snowy hillside outside Bethlehem, some shepherds were looking after their sheep in the fields.

Shepherds move down aisle to front of stage and sit on the floor.

All of a sudden something very strange happened.

Angels come on and stand behind the shepherds

The shepherds were surrounded by a crowd of angels.

ENFYS - Angel Gabriel

Angel Gabriel said, "You must go to Bethlehem and see the king of mankind."

IZZY - Narrator 15

The Shepherds were amazed and couldn't believe what the angels had said, so they decided to go straight away and visit the baby Jesus.

8. Shepherds Dance (track 5 Off to Bethlehem)

KIT - Narrator 16

When they arrived in Bethlehem, they found the stable where baby Jesus was. The shepherds quietly went into the stable.

They saw the baby Jesus laid in a manger. They knelt down to worship him and gave him a gift of a lamb.

Shepherds arrive on stage.

HARRISON B - Narrator 17

Meanwhile, three wise men from the east saw a new special star in the sky.

They knew from the scriptures that God had foretold that a leader would be born one day in Bethlehem.

BELLA - Narrator 18

Somehow, they knew that this star would lead them to Jesus! They set off to search for him.

The new star showed them the way.

9. Twinkle, twinkle follow the star (track 9 Megan CD)

Wise men travel around the Church. Wise Men arrive and wait.

CHARLOTTE - Narrator 19

The wise men arrived at the stable with their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh for baby Jesus.

CHARLIE - Narrator 20

They laid their gifts before the manger and Mary thanked them for their kindness.

Wise men on stage and give gifts.

HARRISON W - Narrator 21

Although baby Jesus was born a very long time ago, we still celebrate his birthday. We call it Christmas.

ZAC - Narrator 22

It is a time of great happiness, of giving and sharing. A time to be especially kind and thoughtful to each other.

WILL - Narrator 23

So rejoice with us this Christmas because the Son of God has come. This Saviour Jesus has been given for everyone.

Sing out the Christmas story for love has come from Glory, given for everyone.

ELIZABETH - Narrator 24

What a wonderful story. And it's all true! Jesus was born in a humble stable in Bethlehem, yet he was born as a king.

FFION - Narrator 25

A king for all the world, showing God's love to each and every one of us. May you know his love today.

We wish you all a very merry Christmas.

10. Rejoice with Us (track 10 Megan's CD)