

26. SIR CHRISTÈMAS

WILLIAM MATHIAS

Words anon. (c. 1500)

Vivo ($\text{♩} = c. 108$)

SOPRANO ALTO

TENOR BASS

ORGAN

Gt. f

Ped. (8' and 16')

No-well, no-well, no-well, no-well,

no - well, no - well, no - well, no - well.

Sopr Alto

f

Who is there that sing-eth so,

Also available separately (X207)

This carol is from *Ave Rex*, a carol sequence by William Mathias (O.U.P.) commissioned by the Cardiff Polyphonic Choir.

No-well, no-well, no-well, no-well?

Tenor & Bass

f I am here, Sir Chris-tè-mas, Sir

Wel-come, my lord... Sir Chris-tè-mas!

Chris-tè-mas, Sir Chris-tè-mas.

Sw. *f*

Man.

Wel-come to all, both more and less, Come near, come near, come

near, come near, come near.

No - well, no - well, no - well, no - well,

No - well, no - well, no - well, no - well,

Gt.

Ped.

no - well, no - well, no - well, no - well.

no - well, no - well.

no - well, no - well, no - well, no - well.

Dieu vous gar - de, beaux - sieurs,

ti - dings I you bring: A maid hath borne a child full young, which

Sw.

Man.

No-well, no-well, no-well, no-well,
No - well, no - well,
No-well, no-well, no-well, no-well,

f

caus - eth you to sing:

Gt.

Ped.

no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well. Christ is now born of a pure — maid, —
no - well, — no - well.
no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well.

born of a pure — maid;

In an ox - stall he — is laid, —

Sw.

Man.

Where-fore sing we at a__ brayde:

No-well, no-well, no-well, no-well,

Gt.

Ped.

no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well. Bu - vez bien, bu - vez bien par

B

tou - te la com - pag - nie. (e)

B

Make good cheer and be right mer - ry, And

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Make good cheer and be right mer - ry, And

v. 2.

sing with us now joy - ful - ly, joy - ful - ly, joy - ful - ly:

ff No-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no -

ff

1, 2, 3, 4 (7, 8) (shout)

- well! No-well!

Man. Ped.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of six systems of music. The first system shows the vocal melody and piano accompaniment for the phrase 'sing with us now joy - ful - ly, joy - ful - ly, joy - ful - ly:'. The second system continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The third system features a vocal melody with the lyrics 'No-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no-well, no -' and a piano accompaniment. The fourth system continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The fifth system features a vocal melody with the lyrics '- well! No-well!' and a piano accompaniment. The sixth system continues the vocal melody and piano accompaniment. The score includes various musical markings such as 'v. 2.', 'ff', 'Man.', and 'Ped.'.