



**Norfolk Federation of WIs**

# **Centennial Celebration**

**St Nicholas Chapel, King's Lynn**

**Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> December, at 11am**





*All stand as the thanksgiving candles are processed*

CAROL

All     The holly and the ivy,  
When they are both full grown  
Of all the trees that are in the wood  
The holly bears the crown  
      *O the rising of the sun*  
      *And the running of the deer*  
      *The playing of the merry organ*  
      *Sweet singing of the choir*

The holly bears a blossom  
As white as lily flower  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ  
To be our sweet Saviour  
      *O the rising of the sun...*

The holly bears a berry  
As red as any blood  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ  
To do poor sinners good  
      *O the rising of the sun...*

The holly bears a prickle  
As sharp as any thorn;  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ  
On Christmas Day in the morn.  
      *O the rising of the sun...*

The holly bears a bark  
As bitter as any gall;  
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ  
For to redeem us all.  
      *O the rising of the sun...*

The holly and the ivy  
Now both are full well grown,  
Of all the trees that are in the wood,  
The holly bears the crown.  
      *O the rising of the sun...*

*Sit*

WELCOME

*by Louise Casson, Federation Secretary*

ADDRESS

*by The Worshipful the Mayor of King's Lynn & West Norfolk,  
Councillor Geoff Hipperson*

*Stand*

CAROL

*All* 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.

O morning stars, together  
Proclaim the holy birth!  
And praises sing to God the King,  
And peace to men on earth.  
For Christ is born of Mary  
And gathered all above,  
While mortals sleep the Angels keep  
Their watch of wondering love.

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.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,  
Descend to us, we pray!  
Cast out our sin and enter in,  
Be born in us to-day.  
We hear the Christmas angels,  
The great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Emmanuel!

*Sit*

ADDRESS

*by Margaret Collingwood, Chairman of the Norfolk Federation of WIs*

*Stand*  
CHRISTMAS SONG  
*Winter Wonderland*

*All* Sleigh bells ring  
Are you listening?  
In the lane  
Snow is glistening  
A beautiful sight  
Happy tonight  
Walking in a winter wonderland

Gone away is the bluebird  
Here to stay is a new bird  
He sings a love song  
As we go along  
Walking in a winter wonderland

In the meadow we can build a snowman  
And pretend that he is Parson Brown  
He'll say are you married? We'll say, "No man"  
But you can do the job when you're in town

Later on  
We'll conspire  
As we drink  
By the fire  
To face unafraid  
The plans that we've made  
Walking in a winter wonderland  
Walking in a winter wonderland

*Sit*  
THAT WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS  
*a reflection by Vicki Reynolds, Treasurer of the Norfolk Federation of WIs*

MUSICAL MEDLEY  
*by the Springwood High School Band*

*Stand*

CHRISTMAS SONG

*I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas*

*All* I'm dreaming of a white Christmas  
Just like the ones I used to know  
Where the treetops glisten  
And children listen  
To hear sleigh bells in the snow

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas  
With every Christmas card I write  
May your days be merry and bright  
And may all your Christmases be white

I'm dreaming of a white Christmas  
Just like the ones I used to know  
Where the treetops glisten  
And the children listen  
To hear those sleigh bells in the snow

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*Sit*

READING *Selected Highlights of a WI Nativity*

*Written and Read by Angela Newton, Roughton & District WI*

READING *Under the Holly Bough by Charles Mackay*

*Read by Maureen Yeowell, a member of Barroway Drove WI*

MUSICAL MEDLEY

*by the Springwood High School Band*

READING *A Christmas Tale by Jacqueline Ramm*

*Read by Carol Makins, Vice-Chairman of the Norfolk Federation of WIs*

*During the carol a collection will be taken for The Norfolk Hospice Tapping House and The Churches Conservation Trust*

*Stand*

CAROL

All     Deck the halls with boughs of holly  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la  
          'Tis the season to be jolly  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la  
          Don we now our gay apparel  
          Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la  
          Troll the ancient Yule-tide carol  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la

          See the blazing yule before us  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la  
          Strike the harp and join the chorus  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la  
          Follow me in merry measure  
          Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la  
          While I tell of Yule-tide treasure  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la

          Fast away the old year passes  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la  
          Hail the new year, lads and lasses  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la  
          Sing we joyous, all together  
          Fa-la-la, la-la-la, la-la-la  
          Heedless of the wind and weather  
          Fa-la-la-la-la, la-la-la-la

*Sit*

READING *Phenomenal Woman* by Maya Angelou  
*Read by Louise Casson*

## ALBERTA CREED

*All* Keep us, O God from pettiness:  
Let us be large in thought, in word and deed.  
Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off self-seeking.  
May we put away pretence and meet each other face to face  
Without self-pity and without prejudice.  
May we never be hasty in judgement and always generous in  
thought.  
Let us take time for all things:  
Make us grow calm, serene and gentle.  
Teach us to put into action our better impulses, straight-forward  
and unafraid.  
Grant that we may release it is the little things that create  
differences:  
That in the big things of life we are one.  
And may we strive to touch and to know  
The great woman's heart common to us all and,  
O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind

*Sit*

## VALEDICTION

*by Margaret Collingwood*

*Stand*

## CAROL

*All* O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem  
Come and behold Him  
Born the King of Angels  
*O come, let us adore Him*  
*O come, let us adore Him*  
*O come, let us adore Him*  
*Christ the Lord!*

God of God, Light of Light  
Lo, He abhors not the Virgin's womb  
Very God  
Begotten, not created  
*O come, let us adore Him...*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God  
All glory in the highest  
*O come, let us adore Him...*



## HYMN

*All* And did those feet in ancient time  
Walk upon England's mountain green?  
And was the holy Lamb of God  
On England's pleasant pastures seen?  
And did the countenance divine  
Shine forth upon our clouded hills?  
And was Jerusalem builded here  
Among those dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold!  
Bring me my arrows of desire!  
Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold!  
Bring me my chariot of fire!  
I will not cease from mental fight,  
Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,  
Till we have built Jerusalem  
In England's green and pleasant land



**Grateful thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Centennial Celebration:**

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Sue Ovenden, Terrie Tooos

Springwood High School Band

Meg and Bob Dorling

Maggie Gallop

Kirsty Gauntley, The Churches Conservation Trust

Peter Godden, Organist

St Nicholas' Chapel Stewards

**The Board of Trustees thank members for their support during the Federation's Centenary year and wish them, their family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

