

Stations of the Nativity

1st Station

A maiden most gentle
and tender we sing
Of Mary the mother of
Jesus our King
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria

The archangel Gabriel
foretold by his call
The Lord of creation
and Saviour of all
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.

2nd Station

God rest ye merry, gentlemen
Let nothing you dismay
Remember, Christ, our Saviour
Was born on Christmas day
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray
O tidings of comfort and joy,
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3rd Station

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of
the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my
spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his
word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart
rejoice.

4th Station

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh.
Awake and harken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings!

5th Station

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind
made moan,
earth stood hard as iron, water like
a stone;
snow had fallen, snow on snow,
snow on snow,
in the bleak midwinter, long ago.

6th Station

Come, thou long expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

7th Station

Joseph was an old man,
and old man was he
When he married Mary,
in the land of Galilee

8th Station

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 tonight.

9th Station

Away in a manger
No crib for His bed
The little Lord Jesus
Lay down His sweet head

The stars in the bright sky
Look down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing
The Baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes

I love Thee, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side
'Til morning is nigh

10th Station

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With th' angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."
*Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"*

11th Station

While shepherds watch'd their
flocks by night,
All seated on the ground,
The angel of the Lord came
down,
And glory shone around."

12th Station

The first Noel", the angels did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in
fields as they lay
In fields where they lay keeping
their sheep
On a cold winter's night that was
so deep
*Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel
Born is the King of Israel*

13th Station

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.*

14th Station

We three kings of Orient, are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and
mountain
Following yonder star
*O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy Perfect Light*