

# Wexford Carol

F C Gm

Good peo - ple\_ all, this Christ - mas - time, con - si - der well\_ and

Cm F Dm C F

bear in mind what our good\_ God for us has done, in

B F Es

send - ing his\_ be - lo - ved Son. With Ma - ry ho - ly

As Fm Cm

we should pray to\_ God with love\_ this Christ - mas - Day. In

F C

Beth - le - hem up - on that morn there

B C B F

was a bless - ed Mes - si - ah born.

2. The night before that happy tide,  
the noble Virgin and her guide  
were long time seeking up and down  
to find a lodging in the won.  
But mark how all things came to pass:  
From ev'ry door repell'd alas!  
As long foretold, their refuge all  
was but an humble ox's stall.

3. Near Bethlehem did shepherds keep  
their flocks of lambs and feeding sheep;  
to whom God's angels did appear,  
which put the shepherds in great fear.  
"Prepare and go", the angels said,  
"to Bethlehem, be not afraid;  
for there you'll find, this happy morn,  
a princely babe, sweet Jesus born."



3. With thankfull heart and joyful mind  
the shepherds went the babe to find,  
and as God's angels had foretold,  
they did our Saviour Christ behold.  
And by his side the virgins maid,  
attending on the Lord of life,  
who came on earth to end all strife.

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