

Cudham and Downe Community Carol 2020

Fantastic! Thank you for offering to record yourself singing 'O come all ye faithful' for our Cudham & Downe Community Carol.

Here's what you need to do:

Set up your studio.

- Lighting – is it appropriate, try not to be in shadow
- Background -think about what's behind you – objects, pictures etc.
- Noise – can you avoid noise from outside? Where in the house is appropriate?
- Could anything disrupt your recording? E.g. Pets
- Decide what you are going to wear. Something festive?

Recording.

- You will need two devices - one to play the backing track on e.g. computer/ipad and the other to record your singing on e.g. phone.
- Download the backing track, PDF of the words and PDF of the music (if you need it) from the 'audio' page of the church website <https://www.pcd.org.uk/media/>
- Record your video clearly in portrait format (not landscape).
- Use headphones plugged into your computer/ipad to hear the backing track playing while you are recording on your phone - so you only record your singing not the organ as well!
- Record yourself on your phone singing all four verses (from the words PDF) of 'O Come all ye faithful' to the backing track.
- If who are used to choral singing and would like to sing in harmony, please use the music PDF to sing verses 2 and 3 in harmony and unison for verses 1 and 6 and any brave sopranos are welcome to have a go at the descant in verse 6 too!
- Review your recording to make sure you would be comfortable with it.
- Then upload your recording to our special dropbox page *by 7th December midnight*– <https://www.dropbox.com/request/g9s5ggUkjObBUOfkdx3?oref=e>
- Please note that by uploading your recording you are agreeing to be part of the Community Carol video in our Youtube Carol Service on 20th December.