

Featured Artist for December 2006

Warwick Carols From St Mary's XC6

For me, as I guess it is for a lot of folk, December always means Christmas. And equally Christmas music for me always means carols. You can keep your **Wizzard** and your **Slade** and your **Bing Crosby** (although I might make an exception for **Kirsty McCall** and **The Pogues!**).

So when looking for a featured artist(s) for this month, I was looking at RW's choir music. Yes, we have all the big star names in the library - **King's College, Cambridge** and **Gloucester Cathedral Choir** but we are also very rich indeed in local talented choirs.

Therefore, this month's featured artists are the combined choirs of Warwick recorded at St Mary's between 18th and 20th July 1995. The members of the choirs singing so majestically are taken from:

St Mary's Choir
St Mary's Girls' Choir
St Nicholas' Choir
Collegium

And before anyone asks, I have no idea who **Collegium** are but I'd love to know.

There are eighteen tracks with all the usual favourites including *O Come All Ye Faithful*, *The Coventry Carol* and my especial favourite *In The Bleak Midwinter*. But what is nice though is that the choirs showcase carols that are less well known such as *See Amid the Winter's Snow* and *Personent Hodie*.

Enjoy.
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