

Quem pastores laudavere

Words by Traditional

Puericinium of 1621

Music by M. Praetorius
arranged by SMC
Christmas, 2022

Soloist 1

Soloist 2

Quem pas - tor - es lau - da - ve - re, Qui - bus An - ge - li dix - e - re,
Ad quem Ma - gi am - bu - la - bant, Au - rum, thus myr - rham por - ta - bant,
Ex - ul - te - mus cum Ma - ri - a, In cae - le - sti Hier - ar - chi - a,

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Soloist 1

Soloist 2

Ab - sit vo - bis iam ti - me - re, Na - tus est Rex glo - ri - ae!
Im - mo - la - bant haec sin - ce - re, Le - o - ni vic - to - ri - ae!
Na - tum pre - mant vo - ce pi - a, Dul - ci - um me - lo - di - a!

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Choir unison or SATB

Nunc an - ge - lo - rum glo - ri - a ho - mi - ni - bus re - splen - du - it in mun - do,

1. Thou whom shepherds worshipped, hearing
angels tell their tidings cheering,
'Sirs, away with doubt and fearing!
Christ the King is born for all;

2. Thou to whom came wise men faring,
gold and myrrh and incense bearing,
heartfelt homage thus declaring
to the King that's born for all:

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No - vi par - tus gau - di - a, vir - go ma - ter pro - du - xit, et sol ve - rus in

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te - ne bris il - lu - xit: Chris - tus na - tus ho - di - e, ex Vir - gi - ne,

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si - ne vi - ri - li se - mi - ne est na - tus Rex!

3. Let us glad with Mary be,
with the Host of Angels see,
Hymn the Child devotedly,
with the sweetest melody!

R. Now angels' glory shines on men, through all the earth,
With His birth His Virgin Mother brings forth joys:
And the truest Sun shines in our night.
Christ the Lord is born today, of Virgin pure,
without seed of man the King of Kings is born!