

Characters:

Joseph:

Mary:

Angel Gabriel:

Angels:

Shepherds:

Inn Keeper:

3 Kings:

Star:

Stable Animals:

The Nativity

All children in costume, around the stable.

The rhymes are spoken by all the children together.

Rhyme :

**(Spoken by
children)**

Welcome everybody,
We're glad to see you here.
To share a special story
Now that Christmas time is near.

Mary had some special news,
An angel told her so,
And that was the beginning
A long long time ago.

Narrator : Joseph became Mary's husband and they set off on the long journey to Bethlehem with many other people.

Song : **Wait for the Saviour**

Song : **O Little Town of Bethlehem**

Rhyme :
**(Spoken by
children)**

Bethlehem was busy,
It was getting dark and cold
All the rooms were taken
So the travellers were told.

Rhyme :
**(Spoken by
children)**

The animals were resting
In a stable full of hay
The inn keeper was very kind
And said that they could stay.

And later in the evening
Mary's baby boy was born
They put him in the manger
To keep him snug and warm.

Song : **Away in a Manger**

Narrator : Some shepherds were looking after their sheep on the hills outside Bethlehem when they were woken by a bright light.

Rhyme : An angel woke the shepherds
(Spoken by children) "Quick - Go down and find the way
To the place where Baby Jesus
Is sleeping in the hay."

Narrator : Suddenly the sky was filled with hundred of angels singing. The shepherds hurried into Bethlehem to find the stable.

Song : **Angels We Have Heard on High**

Narrator : In a land faraway some Wise men were watching the sky.

Rhyme : A star was shining brightly
(Spoken by children) The wise men watched its light
And followed it to Bethlehem
To see the wondrous sight.

Song : **We Three Kings**

Rhyme : The baby in the manger
(Spoken by children) Just as the angel told
They gave him special presents
Frankincense, myrrh and gold.

Song : **Silent Night**

Rhyme : So, that is our nativity
(Spoken by children) It's nice to see you here,
To sing and help us celebrate
This special time of year.

Song : **Boh Predvichnyj**

Narrator: This beautiful scene is missing St. Nicholas. He helped to spread the good news about Jesus' birthday to every corner of the world. Every year St. Nicholas helps millions of people, young and old, show how much they love one another. Because of his example, people everywhere fill their hearts with joy and love on Jesus' special day.

Song: **O Saint Nicholas**