

Ring, Ring the Bells, the Joyful Bells

Anonymous, before 1895.

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Ring, ring the bells, the joyful bells,
This merry Christmas morn;
Their sweet, melodious music tells
The day that Christ was born.
Sweetly they sound o'er vale and glen;
Hark! how their music swells
With "Peace on earth, good will to men!"
O merry Christmas bells!

Refrain

Ring, ring the bells, the joyful bells,
The bells, the merry, merry Christmas bells,
Ring, ring the merry Christmas bells.

Ring, ring the bells, the Christmas bells,
For in their joyous chime
Once more on earth the chorus swells
Of angel song sublime.
The sweet old story, ever new,
Falls on the heart again,
Refreshing as the early dew,
Or the soft summer rain.

Refrain

Ring, ring the bells, the Christmas bells,
Prophetic of the day
When He of whom their music tells
Shall all the nations sway;
Shall bless and fill and rule each heart,
Shall bid all sorrows cease,
And give His own the better part
Of everlasting peace.

Refrain