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# Huron Carol

## 'Twas in the Moon of Winter Time

Words by Jean de Brébeuf  
Traditional French melody  
Arr. by Donna Rhodenizer

$\text{♩} = 108$

'Twas in the moon of win - ter time, when all the birds had

6  
fled, that might - y Git - chi Man - i - tou sent an - gel choirs in - stead; be -

11  
*poco rit.*  
fore their light the stars grew dim, and wan - dering hunt - ers heard the hymn: —

15  
*a tempo*  
Je - sus your King is born, Je - sus is born, in ex - cel - sis glo - ri - a.

21  
With - in a lodge of bro - ken bark the ten - der babe was found, a

26  
rag - ged robe of rab - bit skin en - wrapped his beau - ty round. But as the hunt - er

31



braves drew nigh, the an-gel song rang loud and high: — Je - sus your King is born,

36



Je - sus is born, in ex - cel - sis glo - ri - a. O child - ren of the

42



for - est free, O sons of Man - i - tou, the ho - ly child of earth and heav'n is

47



born to - day for you. Come, kneel be - fore the ra - diant boy, who

51



brings you beau - ty, peace, and joy: — Je - sus your King is born,

55



Je - sus is born, in ex - cel - sis glo - ri - a, in ex -

59



cel - sis glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis glo - ri - a. \_\_\_\_\_

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Gm F

'Twas in the moon of win - ter time, when

Ped. simile

5 E<sup>b</sup> F Gm F

all the birds had fled, that might - y Git - chi Man - i - tou sent

9 E<sup>b</sup> F Gm F/G F

an - gel choirs in - stead; be - fore their light the stars grew dim, and

*The original French version of this carol may be sung with this accompaniment.*

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13  $B^b/F$   $Gm$   $Dm$   $Gm$   $Dm$   
*poco rit.* *a tempo*

wan - dering hunt - ers heard the hymn: — Je - sus your King is born,

17  $E^b$   $F$   $Gm$   $F$   $E^b$   $Dm$   $Gm$

Je - sus is born, in ex - cel - sis glo - ri - a. With -

22  $Gm$   $F$   $E^b$   $F$   $Gm$

in a lodge of bro - ken bark the ten - der babe was found, a

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26

E<sup>b</sup> F Gm

rag - ged robe of rab - bit skin en - wrapped his beau - ty round. But

30

F Gm/E<sup>b</sup> F *poco rit.*

as the hunt - er braves drew nigh, the an - gel song rang loud and high: —

34

Gm *a tempo* Dm E<sup>b</sup> F Gm F

Je - sus your King is born, Je - sus is born, in ex -

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38 Gm Dm Gm Gm F Gm F

cel - sis glo - ri - a. O chil - dren of the for - est free, O

43 Gm F Gm Gm F Gm F

sons of Man - i - tou, the ho - ly child of earth and heav'n is

47 Gm F Gm Dm Cm / E♭ Dm

born to - day for you. Come, kneel be - fore the ra - diant boy, who

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51 Gm F rit. Gm a tempo Dm

brings you beau - ty, peace, and joy: — Je - sus your King is born,

55 Gm F Dm Gm Dm7 Gm Dm Gm Dm7

Je - sus is born, in ex - cel - sis glo - ri - a, in ex -

59 Gm Dm Gm rit. Dm7 Gm Dm G

cel - sis glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis glo - ri - a. —

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2 3 4 5 6

7 8 9 10 11 12

13 14 15 16 17 18

19 20 21 22 23

24 25 26 27 28

29 30 31 32 33

*rit.* *a tempo*

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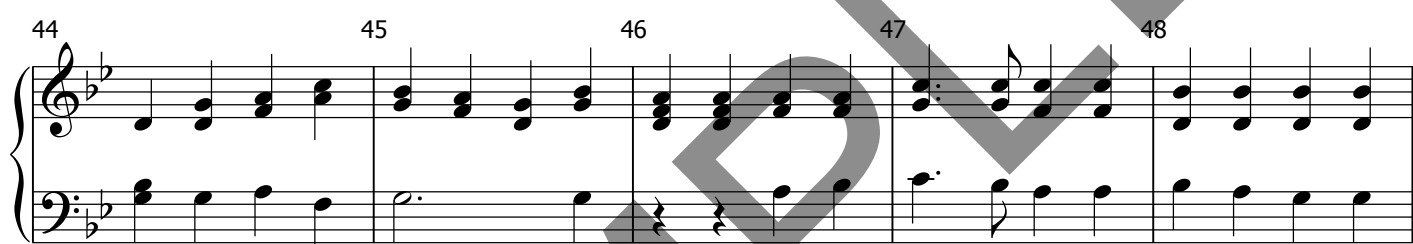
34 35 36 37 *melody in bass notes* 38  
*mf*



39 40 41 42 43



44 45 46 47 48



49 50 51 52 53

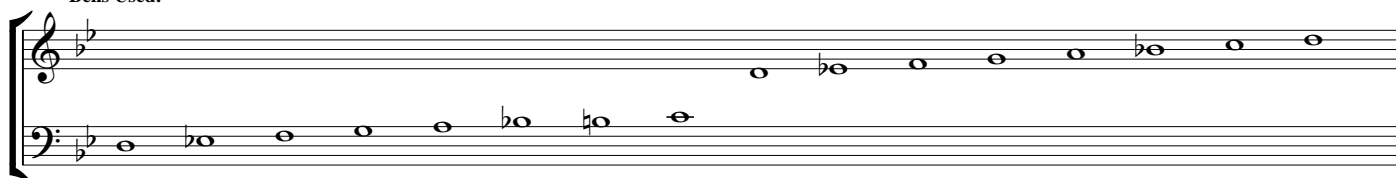


54 55 56 57 58 59

*rit.*



Bells Used:



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'Twas in the moon of winter time, when all the birds had fled,  
That mighty Gitchi Manitou sent angel choirs instead;  
Before their light the stars grew dim,  
And wandering hunters heard the hymn:

**Jesus your King is born,  
Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.**

Within a lodge of broken bark the tender babe was found,  
A ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapped his beauty round.  
But as the hunter braves drew nigh,  
The angel song rang loud and high:

**Jesus your King is born,  
Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria.**

O children of the forest free, O sons of Manitou,  
The holy child of earth and heav'n is born today for you.  
Come, kneel before the radiant boy,  
Who brings you beauty, peace, and joy:

**Jesus your King is born,  
Jesus is born, in excelsis gloria,  
In excelsis gloria, in excelsis gloria.**

Words: Jean de Brébeuf  
Music: Traditional 16<sup>th</sup> century French melody  
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