



Jolly Old Saint Nicholas

Jolly Old Saint Nicholas is a lighthearted piece similar in style to another Christmas favorite, Up on the Housetop. Some have suggested that Benjamin R. Hanby wrote both of the pieces, but the composer of Jolly Old Saint Nicholas has never been truly confirmed. The final verse mentions various gifts that children may want for Christmas including skates, sleds, and picture books.

Traditional

With joy

5 3 5 1

mf Jol - ly old Saint Nich - o - las, lean your ear this way.

1 5 1

5

2 3 4

Don't you tell a sin - gle soul what I'm going to say.

1 4 2

9

5 3 5 1

mp Christ - mas Eve is com - ing soon, now you dear old man,

1 5 1

Slow, in swing rhythm

13

2 3 4

whis - per what you'll bring to me; *rit.* tell me if you can.

(♩ = ♪♪)