

*Les anges dans nos campagnes*

# Angels We Have Heard on High

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1. Angels we have heard on high  
sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
and the mountains in reply  
echo back their joyous strains.

**℟. Glória**  
**in excelsis Deo.**  
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2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
Say what may the tidings be  
which inspire your heav'nly song. **℟.**
3. Come to Bethlehem and see  
him whose birth the angels sing;  
come, adore on bended knee  
Christ the Lord, the new-born King. **℟.**
4. See him in a manger laid  
whom the choirs of angels praise;  
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,  
while our hearts in love we raise. **℟.**

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