

# The Ditchling Carol

(First chorus and verses 1, 2, 3 and 4 to be sung unison.)

Chorus

Be mer - ry all, be mer - ry all, with hol - ly deck the fes - - tive hall, Pre -  
-pare the song, the feast, the hall, to wel - come mer - ry Chris - - tmas.

- (1) But oh re - mem - ber gen - tles gay, For you who bask in for - tune's ray The  
 (2) When you with vel - - vets man - tled o'er De - - fy Dec - em - ber's tem - pest roar O  
 (3) From blaz - ing loads of fuel a - - while Your homes are with - - in su - mmer smile O  
 (4) When you the cost - - ly ban - quet deal To guests who ne - - ver fa - - mine feel O

1) year is all a ho - - li - - day, The poor have on - - ly Chris - - tmas.  
 2) spare one gar - - ment from your store To clothe the poor at Chris - - tmas.  
 3) spare one fag - - got from your pile To warm the poor at Christ - - mas.  
 4) spare one mor - - sel from your meal To feed the poor at Christ - - mas.

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Harmony

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Melody

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Verse

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