

BBC Radio 4 will be at York Minster on Tuesday 12 December to record a special act of worship for broadcast on Christmas Day morning.

The Dean of York, the Very Revd Dominic Barrington, will welcome all to the service which will include prayers, Bible readings, and a homily from The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell, as well as much-loved Carols and traditional music for Christmas Day performed by The Choir of York Minster under the direction of Robert Sharpe, the cathedral's Director of Music.

The choir will be singing a new version of the poem, *Away in a Manger*, set to music by the young British composer Lucy Walker. Choristers, volunteers and members of the Minster community will also contribute to elements of the service.

Dean Dominic said: "We are delighted that York Minster will be the location for the recording of this act of worship for BBC Radio 4's Christmas Day schedule. The Good News of the birth of Jesus Christ will be told in words and music that will both captivate and comfort listeners on Christmas morning."

All are welcome to attend and must be seated by 5.15pm. As the recording will start promptly at 5.30pm there will be no late admissions to the service. The service will finish by 6.45pm.

Christmas Service with The Archbishop of York will be broadcast on BBC Radio 4 at 7am on Monday 25 December and will then be available on

