



Christmas CONCERT

MULLED WINE & MINCE PIES

DECEMBER 18TH 2025

STARTING AT 7.30 PM

ST MARK'S CHURCH, COLD ASH

RG18 9PT



**Cold Ash Brass Welcome
Guest Conductor
Adam Swift**



Cold Ash Brass

Cold Ash Brass was founded in April 2003 by a small group of local Brass players determined to put the fun back into their Brass-Banding.

We soon found out that we were not the first Cold Ash Band, the original one folded in about 1930. We have found some of the older villagers who remember the original Band, though to date we have been unable to re-sign any of the original musicians!

From its formation, the Band quickly grew to 18 members, and made its debut public performance at the Cold Ash Show in August 2003. Since then we have performed around the area, in Victoria Park Newbury and at Newbury Show, at St Marks School fete and Thatcham's Festival of Arts and with the Cold Ash Mummers in the local pubs at Christmas time.

Thatcham Town Council have been strongly supportive, engaging the band for Civic Events and for the Thatcham Remembrance day parade. Cold Ash Parish, Newbury Town Council, Greenham Common Trust and Awards for All have all enabled us to put the Band on a strong financial footing, so that we now have all the latest Brass Band arrangements and a pool of instruments available to play them on.

Despite COVID the band continues to go from strength to strength with approximately 25 members and competing in the third section.

Our musical director, Ian Walshaw, joined us in June 2025. We are very much enjoying playing under his leadership and excited to see where we go together in this new musical partnership!

Cold Ash Brass

A Christmas Festival

Leroy Anderson
arr. Klaas Van Der Woude

Stop The Cavalry

Jona Lewie
arr. Derek Broadbent

O Holy Night
Solist: Ian Williams

Adolphe Adam
arr. Keith Wilkinson

Fantasy on Gaudete

Traditional
arr. Darrol Barry

In the Bleak
Midwinter

Gustav Holst
arr. Adrian Horn

Fairytale of New
York

MacGowan & Finer
Arr. Jock Mackenzie

Schneewalzer

Traditional
arr. Goff Richards

- Interval -

Cold Ash Brass

All I Want For
Christmas

Mariah Carey
arr. Frank Bernaerts

Ukrainian Bell Carol

Leontovych
arr. Philip Sparke

An Untold Story
Soloist: Stuart Hutchins

Paul Lovatt-Cooper

Hark The Herald
Angels Sing

Traditional
arr. David Willcocks

Sussex Carol

Traditional
arr. Stephen Tighe

I Wish It Could Be
Christmas Everyday

Roy Wood
arr. Derek Broadbent

Christmas Finale

Paul Lovatt-Cooper

Cold Ash Brass wish you a Merry Christmas!