

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Score (06':10")

for Trumpet & Organ

(French?) Traditional (c.1500)

Arr. Michel Rondeau

Adagio $\text{♩} = 60$

(Day1)

Allegro moderato

Trumpet in C

Organ

C Tpt.

Org.

C Tpt.

Org.

C Tpt.

Org.

p

p

mf

mf

mf

mf

(Day2)

f

(Day3)

f

mf

mf

(to Bb Piccolo trp.)

20

C Tpt.

Org.

(Day4)

f

25

C Tpt.

Org.

(Day5)

f

mf

30

C Tpt.

Org.

35

C Tpt.

Org.

(to C trp.)

39

C Tpt. *mf*

Org. *f* Day 6

44

C Tpt. *rit.* *a tempo*

Org.

49

C Tpt.

Org. *mf* *f* (Day 7)

54

C Tpt.

Org. *f*

59

C Tpt.

Org.

64 *Slower* (Day8)

C Tpt.

f

Org.

mf

68

C Tpt.

Org.

71

C Tpt.

Org.

75 (Day9)- **Maestoso**

C Tpt.

Org.

79

C Tpt.

Org.

83

C Tpt.

Org.

mf

f

88 **Allegro**

C Tpt.

Org.

mp

p

mp

p

91 (Day 10)

C Tpt.

Org.

mf

94

C Tpt.

Org.

98

C Tpt.

Org.

101

C Tpt.

Org.

104 (Day 11) *mf*

C Tpt.

Org.

107 Day 12

C Tpt.

Org.

111 *p* *mf*

C Tpt.

Org.

115 *mf*

C Tpt.

Org.

119

C Tpt.

Org.

123

C Tpt.

Org.

Maestoso

Religious symbolism of The Twelve Days of Christmas (The 12 Days of Christmas)

- 1 True Love refers to God
- 2 Turtle Doves refers to the Old and New Testaments
- 3 French Hens refers to Faith, Hope and Charity, the Theological Virtues
- 4 Calling Birds refers to the Four Gospels and/or the Four Evangelists
- 5 Golden Rings refers to the first Five Books of the Old Testament, the "Pentateuch", which gives the history of man's fall from grace.
- 6 Geese A-laying refers to the six days of creation
- 7 Swans A-swimming refers to the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, the seven sacraments
- 8 Maids A-milking refers to the eight beatitudes
- 9 Ladies Dancing refers to the nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit
- 10 Lords A-leaping refers to the ten commandments
- 11 Pipers Piping refers to the eleven faithful apostles
- 12 Drummers Drumming refers to the twelve points of doctrine in the Apostle's Creed