

**Thursday 25 December 2014**

**12:04 All Night Programme**

Including: **12:05** Christmas Carols **1:05** Discovery (*BBC*); **2:05** Playing Favourites (*RNZ*); **3:05** Thirty and Counting, by David Hill (*RNZ*); **3:30** NZ Books (*RNZ*); **5:10** Witness (*BBC*)  
**6:00 Christmas Morning with Katrina Batten and Catriona MacLeod**

Six hours of fun, entertainment, memories and information for young and old alike including

**7:10** Te Harinui: 200 years of Christian Worship in Aotearoa NZ

On Christmas Day in 1814, on a small Northland beach, Anglican missionary Samuel Marsden proclaimed the Gospel to a large gathering of Maori and a small group of his own missionaries - the first time it had been heard in this country. Intertwined with some of the hymns and readings that were first heard here 200 years ago, Justin Gregory explores the backstory to that first service and tells us about plans for the bicentenary celebrations

**12:00 The World at Noon**

**12:30 Wild Turkey by Jenny Pattrick**

Vera usually eats at Bull's immaculate house, but having been given a wild turkey, she invites him to dine at her less than salubrious establishment on Christmas day. And the donkey next door decides it would like to join them.

**1:10 Amazing Grace**

The story of "Amazing Grace"- a piece of music that has an extraordinary impact on American history

**2:05 The Gazillionth (or so) Monty Python Radio Special**

**3:05 The Man who would be Perfect, by Stuart Hoar**

In St Mark's gospel, Jesus told the man who wanted to be perfect to give away everything he owned. But these days that's not a simple thing to do (*RNZ*)

**4:06 Memorialisation**

In this edition of The Why Factor, Mike Williams explores how we remember the dead and asks why does it matter?

**5:00 The 5 O'Clock Report**

A roundup of today's news and sport  
**5:12 Ete "Live" at the Metro Mangere**

A slice of Pacific humour (*RNZ*)

**6:06 The Queen's Message**

HM The Queen with her annual message to the commonwealth

**6:10 A Fragile Peace, by Lindsay Wood, told by Patrick Davies**

A Christmas tale from the trenches (*RNZ*)

**6:30 Go Tell It on the Mountain**

The spiritual "Go Tell It on the Mountain" was born in the rich and indomitable oral culture of African slaves in the American south. A hundred years later it became a rallying cry for the civil rights struggle of the 1960's. And now, it's a perennial favourite at Christmas concerts and church services across North America (*CBC*)

**7:06 Great Encounters**

Highlighting a feature interview from the best of 2014 on Radio New Zealand National

**8:10 Windows on the World**

International public radio features and documentaries

**9:06 Our Changing World**

Science and environment news from NZ and the world (*RNZ*)

**10:00 The 10 O'Clock Report**

A roundup of today's news and sport

**10:15 Te Harinui: 200 years of Christian Worship in Aotearoa NZ**

Commemorating the first Christian service on NZ soil conducted in the Bay of Islands on 25 December 1814 by Samuel Marsden, Anglican chaplain in the colony of New South Wales

**11:06 A Crosby Christmas**

A seasonal celebration culled from rare radio and television Christmas broadcasts starring The Voice of Christmas ... Bing Crosby! In this special, revised and augmented by audience demand, Bing is joined in duets by friends like Peggy Lee, Frank Sinatra, Danny Kaye, Ella Fitzgerald ... even David Bowie!