

**SCENE TWENTY-ONE**  
**Angel Gabriel falls from spire**

*In that split second, the ANGEL GABRIEL drops from a great height in front of the projected spire, dangling and free falling from his wires – back projection moves incredibly fast to give us the feeling of the background rushing behind our falling GABRIEL.*

*The PARENTS are in their spotlight, pointing up at the spire – the PRIEST is saying his prayers, the CRITIC is frantically making notes, PARENTS cannot bear to look – everyone is screaming in horror. Then – suddenly, GABRIEL catches mid-air and hangs there . . . for a moment we think he will fall again as he drops suddenly – then he hangs again – the music begins to kick in and GABRIEL begins to feel a bit more comfortable. He sees the audience looking at him and he begins to recover – clicking his fingers in time to the music – dancing a little in the air.*

GABRIEL                      Mum, Dad . . . I'm flying!!!

OKAY PEOPLE, HEAR THE NEWS  
 I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO YELL ABOUT  
 OKAY PEOPLE, FORGET THE BLUES,  
 HERE'S SOMETHING TO FEEL SWELL ABOUT

ANGELS (KIDS)  
 GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
 CLICK YOUR FINGERS

ANGELS  
 GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
 STAMP YOUR FEET

ANGELS  
 GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
 ALWAYS LINGERS

ANGELS  
GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
FEEL THE BEAT

ANGELS  
GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
WAKEY, WAKEY

ANGELS  
GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
SHAKE YOUR ASS!!

*(GABRIEL'S MUM and other PARENTS move along to the music from their audience position in the spotlight – relieved that all is now okay with GABRIEL. The whole scene becomes like a party in the sky – with angels and audience dancing along together. The sky is full of stars – the effect is dazzling.)*

ANGELS  
GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
SHAKEY SHAKEY

ANGELS  
GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
MISS A MASS

ALL  
GOOD NEWS!  
GOOD NEWS!  
GOOD NEWS!  
GOOD NEWS!

*(CHILDREN dressed up as candy-colored ANGELS cartwheel and dance across the stage. As part of the routine, they perform a 'Stomp'-like rhythm section piece as the ANGEL GABRIEL sends his message to MARY. There is a feather drop, as if it is snowing angel wing feathers . . . .)*

GABRIEL  
HEY, LITTLE SISTER HEAR THE WORD

TJ'S MUM  
I HEAR THAT WORD, YEAH!

GABRIEL  
THERE AIN'T NO NEED FOR A BIG STORK BIRD

TJ'S MUM  
BIG STORK BIRD, YEAH, YEAH!

GABRIEL  
TIME TO HOLLER, TIME TO DANCE

TJ'S MUM  
YOU AIN'T GONNA STOP ME FROM DANCIN', YEAH!

GABRIEL  
YOU'RE GONNA NEED SOME BIGGER PANTS

ALL (KIDS / PARENTS)  
GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
CLICK YOUR FINGERS

ALL (KIDS / PARENTS)  
GOOD NEWS!

GABRIEL  
STAMP YOUR FEET

ALL  
GOOD NEWS!  
GOOD NEWS!