

The most recent of these four recordings by great conductors is something of a specialist item – the world premiere of Leonard Bernstein's Symphony No. 3 *Kaddish*, with the composer conducting the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in Tel Aviv on 10 December 1963. The publishers of the recording, St Laurent Studio, have apparently worked from the only existing recording of this occasion. Written in memory of President Kennedy, the symphony is clearly a deeply heartfelt work, and here it receives a highly committed performance. Whether it is a work that will remain in the repertoire is open to question – only the verdict of history will tell (Ⓛ YSL78-200; 44mins).