

Mary's Boy Child

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Arranged by Peter Gritton

*This song may be performed up a semitone if desired.

Gracefully flowing, never too slow (♩ = c. 72)

Soprano

Alto

Tenor

Bass I

Bass II

Piano rehearsal only

Stagger breaths in all parts

pp

mm

pp

mm

(Solo or small group)
p legato

Long time a - go in Beth - le - hem, so the

pp

mm

pp

mm

dmm

Gracefully flowing, never too slow (♩ = c. 72)

pp

5

Ho - ly Bi - ble say, Ma - ry's Boy Child, Je - sus Christ, was

dmm

dmm

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p legato
Hark now hear the an - gels sing, a

(Tutti) *p legato*
born on Christ - mas Day. Hark now hear the an - gels sing, a

p legato
Hark now hear the an - gels sing, a

p legato
Oh! Hark now hear the an - gels sing, a

p

15

p
ooh

p
new King born to - day, ooh

(Solo, or small group) *mp*
new King born to - day, And Man will live for ev - er - more, Be -

new King born to - day, ooh

new King born to - day, ooh

new King born to - day, ooh

new King born to - day, ooh

mf dolce

da da da Trum - pets sound and an - gels sing,

mf dolce

da da Trum - pets sound and an - gels sing,

(Solo)

- cause of Christ - mas Day. Trum - pets sound, an - gels sing,

mf

da da da da Trum - pets sound, an - gels sing,

mf

Trum - pets sound, an - gels sing,

mf

doo Trum - pets sound and the an - gels they sing, and

S

Lis - ten to what they say, *mp* doo doo doo doo...

A

Lis - ten to what they say, *mp* doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

T

Lis - ten t'what they say, *dolce* (mf) That Man will live for ev - er - more, be -

B

Lis - ten t'what they say, *dolce* ooh

Lis - ten t'what they say, *mp* doo doo

[illegible][illegible]

Musical score for "The Birth of Christ" featuring vocal parts and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "find no place to born she child, not a sin - gle room was in sight."

45 (col tutti)

S

A *pp sostenuto*
Hark now hear the an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And

T *pp sostenuto*
Hark now hear the an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And

B *pp sostenuto*
Hark now hear the an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And

pp

(Tutti)
mp legato

50

S 3; By and

A Man will live for ev - er, be - cause of Christ - mas Day.
(Solo, or small group)

T Man will live for ev - er, more, be - cause of Christ - mas, 3. By and
(Tutti)

B Man will live for ev - er, 'cause of Christ - mas, *p* doo doo doo
ooh all be - cause, *p* doo doo doo doo doo doo

mp

55

sempre legato

by they find a lit - tle nook in a sta - ble all for - lorn, And

p doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

(Solo) *sempre legato*

by they find a lit - tle nook in a sta - ble all for - lorn, And

doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

flautando

da da da da da da doo doo doo

flautando

da da da da da da doo doo doo

(Solo)

Ho - ly Bib - le say, Ma - ry's Boy Child,

doo doo doo

dmm doo

70

doo doo doo

f subito *grandioso*

ba ba ba ba ba Hark now hear the

f subito *grandioso*

ba ba ba ba ba Hark now hear the

(Solo) (col tutti)

Je - sus Christ, was born on Christ - mas Day.

f subito *grandioso*

ba ba ba ba ba Hark now hear the

f subito *grandioso*

ba ba ba ba ba Hark now hear the

sub. f

Hark now hear the

75

S an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And Man will live for

A an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And Man will live for

T an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And Man will live for

B an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And Man will live for

an - gels sing, a new King born to - day, And Man will live for

cresc. al fine **80** *rall.*
 ev - er - more, Be - cause of Christ - mas day, be - cause, be - cause of Christ - mas Day.

cresc. al fine
 ev - er - more Be - cause of Christ - mas day, be - cause, be - cause of Christ - mas Day.

cresc. al fine
 ev - er - more, Be - cause of Christ - mas day, be - cause, be - cause of Christ - mas Day.

cresc. al fine
 ev - er - more, Be - cause of Christ - mas, 'cause of Christ - mas Day.

cresc. al fine
 ev - er - more, Be - cause of Christ - mas, 'cause of Christ - mas Day.

cresc. al fine
 ev - er - more, Be - cause of Christ - mas, 'cause of Christ - mas Day.