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Before the paling of the stars

carol for mixed voices and organ

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Before the paling of the stars

Words: Christina Rossetti (1830–94)

Music: ROGER HEMINGWAY

Con espressione $\text{♩} = c.54$ *p*

SOPRANO

1. Be - fore the pal - ing of the

Con espressione $\text{♩} = c.54$ *pp*

ORGAN

Man.

6

stars, — Be-fore the win - ter morn, Be - fore the ear - li-est

10

S. *mp* cock-crow Je - - sus Christ was born:

A. *mp* Je - sus Christ was born:

T. *mp* Je - sus Christ was born:

B. *mp* Je - sus Christ was born:

Org. *p*

14

Born in a sta - ble, Cra - dled in a man - ger, In the world his_

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Piano accompaniment (measures 14-17)

18

hands had made Born a stran-ger._

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Piano accompaniment (measures 18-21)

mp

Ped.

23

mp 2. Priest and King lay fast a sleep In Je - ru - sa - lem.

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27

mp Young and old lay fast a sleep In crowd-ed Beth-le-hem:

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mp Young and old lay fast a sleep In crowd-ed Beth-le-hem:

Man.

31 *mp* Saint and an - - - - gel,

mp

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35 Kept a watch to-ge - ther, Be-

Kept a watch to-ge - ther, Be-

ox and ass, Kept a watch to-ge - ther, Be-

Kept a watch to-ge - ther, Be-

Kept a watch to-ge - ther, Be-

ox and ass, Kept a watch to-ge - ther, Be-

39 *mf*

-fore_ the Christ - - - mas_ day - break In the win - - - ter

mf

-fore__ the Christ - - - mas_ day - break In the win - - - ter

mf

-fore_ the Christ - - - mas_ day - break In the win - - - ter

mf

-fore__ the Christ - - - mas_ day - break In the win - - - ter

43 *molto rit.*

wea - ther.

wea - ther.

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wea - ther.

mp

molto rit.

Ped.

46 SOPRANO *mp teneramente*

S. 3. Je - - sus on his

Org. *rit. a tempo p dolce*

49 mo - ther's breast In the sta - ble cold,

Org.

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52 *mf* Spot - - less Lamb of God was he,

Org.

56 Shep - herd of the fold: *rall.*

Man.

60

S. *p* Let us kneel with

A. *p* Let us kneel with

T. *p* Let us kneel with

B. *p* Let us kneel with

Org. *p* **PROMOTIONAL COPY for reading only**

Ped.

65

Ma - ry maid, With Jo - seph bent and hoa - ry, With saint__ and

Ma - ry maid, With Jo - seph bent and hoa - ry, With saint__ and

Ma - ry maid, With Jo - seph bent__ and hoa - ry, With saint__ and

Ma - ry maid, With Jo - seph bent and hoa - ry, With saint__ and

70 *mf* *f*
an - gel, ox and ass, To hail, to hail the
an - gel, ox and ass, To hail, to hail the
an - gel, ox and ass, To hail, to hail the
an - gel, ox and ass, To hail, to hail the

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Ped.

73 *ff* *f*
King, the King of glo - - - - ry, of glo - ry,
King, the King of glo - - - - ry, of glo - ry,
King, the King of glo - - - - ry, of glo - ry,
King, the King of glo - - - - ry, of glo - ry,

76 *mf*

glo - - ry, -

glo - - ry. -

glo - - ry. -

glo - - ry. -

f *mf* *rall.*

80 *pp*

Be-fore the

pp

Mm

mp *p*

A little slower

Man.

Slower

p

p

p

p

Slower

84

pal - ing of the stars, Je - sus

Je - sus

Je - sus

Je - sus

pp

3

rall. al fine

88

Christ was born.

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Christ was born.

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rall. al fine

p

pp

Ped.