

The Crown of Roses

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Легенда (Legend)

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Op. 54 No. 5

Moderato

mf 1 2 *p* 3 4 *mf* 5 6 *p* 7 8

Soprano
1. When Je - sus Christ was yet a child He had a gar - den small and wild,

Alto
1. When Je - sus Christ was yet a child He had a gar - den small and wild,

Tenor
1. When Je - sus Christ was yet a child He had a gar - den small and wild,

Bass
1. When Je - sus Christ was yet a child He had a gar - den small and wild,

Piano (rehearsal only)
mf *p* *mf* *p*

9 *p* 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 *mf*

S. Where-in he cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. 2. Now

A. Where-in he cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. 2. Now

T. Where-in he cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. 2. Now

B. Where-in he cher - ished ro - ses fair, And wove them in - to gar - lands there. 2. Now

p *mf*

17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

S. once, as sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

A. once, as sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

T. once, as sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

B. once, as sum - mer - time drew nigh, There came a troop of child - ren by,

p *mf* *p* *mf* *p* *mf* *p*

25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33

S. And see-ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly. 3. "Do you bind

A. And see-ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly. 3. "Do you bind

T. And see-ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly. 3. "Do you bind

B. And see-ing ro - ses on the tree, With shouts they plucked them mer - ri - ly. 3. "Do you bind

p *f* *p* *f* *p* *f* *p* *f*

34 35 36 37 38 39 40

S. ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.

A. ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.

T. ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.

B. ro - ses in your hair?" They cried, in scorn, to Je - sus there.

41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 *p cresc.*

S. *pp* The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way." 4. Then of the

A. *pp* The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way." 4. Then of the

T. *pp* The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way." 4. Then of the

B. *pp* The boy said hum - bly: "Take, I pray, All but the na - ked thorns a - way." 4. Then of the

50 (cresc.) 51 52 *ff* 53 54 55 56 *p cresc.* 57 58

S. thorns they made a crown, and with rough fin - gers pressed it down, Till on his fore - head

A. thorns they made a crown, and with rough fin - gers pressed it down, Till on his fore - head

T. thorns they made a crown, and with rough. fin - gers. pressed it down, Till on his fore - head

B. thorns they made a crown, and with rough fin - gers pressed it down, Till on his fore - head

(cresc.) *ff* *p cresc.*

59 (cresc.) 60 *ff* 61 62 63 64 *p* 65 66 67

S. fair and young Red drops of blood like ro - ses sprung.

A. fair and young Red drops of blood like ro - ses sprung.

T. fair and young Red drops of blood like ro - ses sprung.

B. fair and young Red drops of blood like ro - ses sprung, like ro - ses sprung.

(cresc.) *ff* *p*