

III. The Death Dirge (selected stanzas)

from the *Carmina Gaedelica*

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freely

Tenor

Bass

mf

Thou goest home this night to thy home of win - ter,

cresc.

T

B

To - thy home of au - tumn, of spring and of sum - mer.

To au - tumn, of spring and sum - mer.

mf

T

B

Thou goest home this night to thy per - pe - tual home,

to thy home,

mf

T

B

To thine e - ter - nal bed, to thine e - ter - nal slum - ber.

The musical score is written for Tenor (T) and Bass (B) voices. It consists of four stanzas of music. The first stanza is marked 'freely' and 'mf'. The second and third stanzas are marked 'cresc.' and 'mf'. The fourth stanza is marked 'mf'. The music is in 3/4 time and ends with a key signature of two sharps (D major) and a 3/4 time signature.

flowing $\bullet = 80$ and a - way with thy sor - row, and a -

T 5 8

B 5 *mp* Sleepthou, sleep, a - way with thy sor - row, Sleep thou, O sleep thou, a -

Sleepthou, sleep, a - way with thy sor - row,

way with thy sor - row, and a - way with thy sor - row, -

T 11 8 *cresc.* *dim.*

B 11 *cresc.* *dim.*

way with thy sor - row, Sleep thou, sleep, a - way with thy sor - row,

Sleep, thou, sleep thou a - way thy sor - row,

in the rock of the fold.

T 17 8

B 17

Sleep, thou be - lov - ed in rock of the fold. Sleep this night in the

Sleep, be - lov - ed in rock of the fold.

breast of thy mo - ther, Sleep, be - loved, while she her-self soothes thee;

T 23 8

B 23

mo-ther,

29
T
8
mf
Sleep this night on the vir - gin's arm, Sleep, be - lov-ed while

B
29
mf

35
T
8
rit.
f she her-self kis - ses thee. Sleep, O sleep in the calm of all calm,
in the calm of all calm,

B
35
f rit. mp
she kis - ses thee Sleep, O

41
T
8
Sleep, O sleep in the gui - dance of gui - dance, in the

B
41
Sleep, O Sleep, O

47
T
8
rit.
love of all loves; Sleep, O be - lov-ed in the Lord of
in the rit.

B
47
rit. p
love of all loves; Sleep, O be - lov-ed in the Lord of

52
T
8
rit. al fine
life, Sleep, O be - lov - ed in God of life.

B
52
rit. al fine
Sleep, O be - lov - ed in the God of life.