

The holly and the ivy

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Moderato [$\text{♩} = 92$]

Soprano [Air]

1. The hol - ly bears a ber - ry As red as a - ny blood,
 2. *The hol - ly bears a pri - ckle As sharp as a - ny thorn,*
 3. The hol - ly bears a blos - som As white as a - ny flow'r,
 4. *The hol - ly bears a bark As bit - ter as a - ny gall,*
 5. The hol - ly and the i - vy, When they are both full grown,

Alto

Tenor

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Bass

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And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ To do poor sin - ners good.
And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ On Christ - mas day in the morn.
 And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ To be our sweet Sa - viour.
And Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ For to re - deem us all.
 Of all the trees that are in the wood, The hol - ly bears the crown.

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8 CHORUS

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The ri - sing of the sun, The run - ning of the deer,
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The ri - sing of the sun, The run - ning of the deer,
The ri - sing of the sun, The run - ning of the deer,

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The play - ing of the mer - ry or - gan, sweet sing - ing in the quire.
The play - ing of the mer - ry or - gan, sweet sing - ing in the quire.
The play - ing of the mer - ry or - gan, sweet sing - ing in the quire.
The play - ing of the mer - ry or - gan, sweet sing - ing in the quire.