

# A Mother's Blessing

From "Carmina Gadelica":

trad. Gaelic, trans. Alexander Carmichael

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**Moderato** (♩ = c. 60)

*mp* *mf* *mp*

Soprano  
Alto

The joy of God be in thy face, Joy to

*mp* *mf* *mp*

Tenor  
Bass

The joy of God be in thy face, Joy to

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7 *mf* *f*

S  
A

all who see thee, the joy of life a - round thee,

*mf* *f*

T  
B

all who see thee, the joy of life a - round thee,

**Meno mosso** (♩ = c. 54)

12 *f* *mf* *mp*

S  
A

An-gels of God shielding thee, An-gels of God shielding thee.

*f* *mf* *mp*

T  
B

An-gels of God shielding thee, An-gels of God shielding thee.

**Tempo I**

16 *mp* *mf* *mp*

S  
A

Joy of night and day be thine, joy of sun and

*mp* *mf* *mp*

T  
B

Joy of night and day be thine, joy of sun and

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S A *mf* *f*  
 moon be thine, joy of men and wo - men,

T B *mf* *f*  
 moon be thine, joy of men and wo - men,

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S A **Meno mosso** ( $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 54$ ) *f* *mf* *mp* **Piu allegro** ( $\text{♩} = \text{c. } 66$ ) *p*  
 on ev'-ry land and sea, on ev'-ry land and sea. The

T B *f* *mf* *mp* *p*  
 on ev'-ry land and sea, on ev'-ry land and sea. The

30

S A *mf*  
 God of life a - bove thee, the Christ of love be - side thee, the

T B *mf*  
 God of life a - bove thee, the Christ of love be - side thee, the

34

S A **Tempo I** *ff* *mp*  
 Sp'rit of grace wi - thin thee, To be - friend thee and aid thee, to be -

T B *ff* *mp*  
 Sp'rit of grace wi - thin thee, To be - friend thee and aid thee, to be -

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*p dolce*

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S  
A

friend thee and aid thee, thou be - lo - ved one of my —

T  
B

friend thee and aid thee, thou be - lo - ved one of my

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S  
A

breast, be - lo - ved one of my heart, — thou be - lo - ved one,

T  
B

breast, be - lo - ved one of my heart, o thou be -

47

S  
A

thou be - lo - ved one of my heart, — thou be - lo - ved one,

T  
B

lo - ved one of my heart, o thou be -

*rit.*

52

S  
A

thou be - lo - ved one of my heart. —

T  
B

lo - ved one of my heart. —