

May

a song for SSAA quartet (or chamber choir),
with piano accompaniment

poem by *Christina Rossetti*

Andantino grazioso ♩ = 100

Tamás Beischer-Matyó

Soprano 1

Soprano 2

Alto 1

Alto 2

Piano

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p I can-not tell you how it was;— But this I know: it came to pass Up-on a

p I can-not tell you how it was;— But this I know: it came to pass Up-on a

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16 *mf poco espr.*

bright and breez-y day_ When May_ was young, when May was young, when May was

mf poco espr.

bright and breez-y day_ When May_ was young, when May was young, when May was

mf

bright and breez-y day_ When May was young; ah

mf

bright and breez-y day_ When May was young; ah

21 *p*

young, ah pleas-ant May! It came to pass Up - on a bright and

p

young, ah pleas-ant May! It came to pass Up-on a bright and breez-y day When May was

p

pleas - ant May! It came to pass Up-on a bright and breez-y day When May was

p

pleas - ant May! It came to pass Up - on a bright and

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breez - y day, ah pleas-ant May! *pp*

young, ah pleas-ant May, ah pleas-ant May! *pp*

young, ah pleas-ant May, ah pleas-ant May! *pp*

breez - y day, ah pleas-ant May! *pp*

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As yet the pop-pies were not *mp*

As yet the pop-pies were not *mp*

As yet the pop-pies were not *pp*

As yet the pop-pies were not *mp pesante*

40 *mf* The

mf The

born Be - tween__ the blades of ten - der corn,____ ten-der corn;

born Be - tween__ the blades of ten - der corn,____ ten-der corn;

45

last egg had not hatched as yet, Nor__ an-y bird__ fore-gone its

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mf ...not hatched as__yet, Nor__ an-y bird fore-gone its

mf ...not hatched as__yet, Nor__ an-y bird fore-gone its

51 *f* *pp*

mate. _____ I can-not tell you

mate. _____ I can-not tell you

mate. _____ I can-not tell you

mate. _____ I can-not tell you

f *p* *pp* *ppp* *pp*

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what it was;— But this I know: it did but pass. It passed a - way with sun-ny

what it was;— But this I know: it did but pass. It passed a - way with sun-ny

what it was;— But this I know: it did but pass. It passed a - way with sun-ny

what it was;— But this I know: it did but pass. It passed a - way with sun-ny