

Tudor Church Music

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By WILLIAM BYRD

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TREBLE. *p*
A - - ve ve - rum cor - - - pus,
Hail, O hail true bo - - - dy,

ALTO. *p*
A - - ve ve - rum cor - - - pus,
Hail, O hail true bo - - - dy,

TENOR. *p*
A - - ve ve - rum cor - - - pus,
Hail, O hail true bo - - - dy,

BASS. *p*
A - - ve ve - rum cor - - - pus,
Hail, O hail true bo - - - dy,

♩ = about 72.

For practice only.

cresc. f dim.
na - tum de Ma - ri - - a Vir - gi - ne; ve - re
Spot - less vir - gin's vir - - - gin birth; Thou who

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na - tum de Ma - ri - - a Vir - gi - ne; ve - re
Spot - less vir - gin's spot - less vir - gin birth; Thou who

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p *cresc.*
 pas - - sum im - mo - la - tum in cru -
 tru - - ly hang - edst weu - ry on the

p *cresc.*
 pas - - sum im - - mo - la - - - tum in
 tru - - ly hang - edst weu - - - ry up -

p *cresc.*
 pas - - sum im - mo - la - - tum in cru - - ce
 tru - - ly hang - edst weu - - - ry up - on the

p *cresc.*
 pas - - sum im - mo - la - tum in cru -
 tru - - ly hang - edst weu - ry up - on

dim. *p* *mf*
 - ce pro ho - mi - ne; cu - jus la - tus
 cross for sons of earth; Thou whose sa - cred

dim. *p* *mf*
 cru - ce pro ho - - mi - ne; cu - jus la - tus
 on the cru - - el cross; Thou whose sa - cred

dim. *p* *mf*
 pro ho - - - mi - ne; cu - jus la - tus
 cru - - - el cross; Thou whose sa - cred

dim. *p* *mf*
 - ce pro ho - mi - ne; cu - jus la - tus
 the cru - - - el cross; Thou whose sa - cred

per - fo - ra - tum un - da flu - xit san - gui - ne,
side was ri - ven, whence the stream of wa - ter and

per - fo - ra - tum un - da flu - xit san - gui - ne,
side was ri - ven, whence the stream of wa - ter and

per - fo - ra - tum un - da flu - xit
side was ri - ven, whence the stream of

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side was ri - ven, whence the stream

san - gui - ne; es - to no - bis prae - gu -
blood did flow; O may'st thou, dear Lord be

san - gui - ne; es - to no - bis prae - gu -
blood did flow; O may'st thou, dear Lord be

san - gui - ne; es - to no - bis prae - gu -
blood did flow; O may'st thou, dear Lord be

- xit san - gui - ne; es - to no - bis prae - gu -
of blood did flow; O may'st thou, dear Lord be

- sta - tum in mor - tis ex - a - mi - ne. O dul - cis,
 giv - en at death's hour to be my food. O ten - der,
 - sta - tum in mor - tis, in mor - tis ex - a - mi - ne. O dul -
 giv - en at death's hour, at death's hour to be my food. O ten -
 - sta - tum in mor - tis ex - a - mi - ne. O dul -
 giv - en at death's hour to be my food. O ten -
 - sta - tum in mor - tis ex - a - tum - mi - ne. O dul -
 giv - en at death's hour to be my food. O ten -

O pi - e, O Je - su Fi - li Ma - ri -
 O lov - ing, O Je - su Son of Ma -
 - cis, O pi - e, O Je - su Fi - li Ma - ri -
 - der, O lov - ing, O Je - su Son of Ma -
 - cis, O pi - e, O Je - su Fi - li Ma - ri -
 - der, O lov - ing, O Je - su Son of Ma -
 - cis, O pi - e, O Je - su Fi - li Ma - ri -
 - der, O lov - ing, O Je - su Son of Ma -

p
 - - ae; mi-se-re-re me - i,
 - - ry; show on me Thy mer - cy,
p
 - - ae; mi-se-re-re me - i, mi-se-re-re, mi-se-re-re
 - - ry; show on me Thy mer - cy, show Thy mer-cy, show on me Thy
p
 - - ae; mi-se-re-re me - i, mi-se-re-re me -
 - - ry; show on me Thy mer - cy, show on me Thy mer-
p
 - - ae; mi-se-re-re me - i, mi-se-re-re
 - - ry; show on me Thy mer - cy, show on me Thy

dim. *pp* *mf*
 mi-se-re-re me - i, me - - - - - i. O
 show on me Thy mer - cy, mer - - - - - cy. O
dim. *pp*
 me - i, mi - se - re - re me - - - - - i.
 mer - cy, show on me Thy mer - - - - - cy.
dim. *pp*
 - - i, me - - i, mi - se-re - re me - - i.
 - - cy, mer - - cy, show on me Thy mer - - cy.
dim. *pp*
 me - i, mi - se-re - re me - - - - - i.
 mer - cy, show on me Thy mer - - - - - cy.
dim. *pp* *mf*

dul - cis, O pi - e, O Je - su Fi - -
ten - der, O lov - ing, O ho - ly Je - -

O dul - cis, O pi - e, O Je - su Fi - li
O ten - der, O lov - ing, O ho - ly, ho - ly

O dul - cis, O pi - e, O Je - su
O ten - der, O lov - ing, O ho - ly

O dul - cis, O pi - e, O Je - su Fi - li
O ten - der, O lov - ing, O ho - ly Je - su

- li Ma - ri - - - ae; mi - se -
- - su, Son of Ma - ry; show Thy

Ma - ri - - - ae; mi - se - re - re me - i,
Je - - - su; show Thy mer - cy on me,

Fi - li Ma - ri - - - ae; mi - se - re - re me - i,
Je - - - su; show Thy mer - cy on me,

Ma - ri - - - ae; mi - se - re - re
Son of Ma - ry; show Thy mer - cy

- re - re me - i, mi - se - re - re me -
mer - cy on me, show Thy mer - cy on

mi - se - re - re, mi - se - re - re me - i, mi - se - re - re
show Thy mer - cy, show Thy mer - cy on me. show Thy mer - cy

mi - se - re - re me - i, me - i,
show Thy mer - cy on me, on me,

me - i, mi - se - re - re me - i, mi - se - re -
on me, show Thy mer - cy on me, show Thy mer -

dim. p rall. pp
 - i, me - - - - i A - - - - men.
me, on me. A - - - - men.

dim. p rall. pp
 me - - - - i. A - - - - men.
on me. A - - - - men.

dim. p rall. pp
 mi - se - re - re me - i. A - - - - men.
show Thy mer - cy on me. A - - - - men.

dim. p rall. pp
 - re me - - - - i. A - - - - men.
- cy on me. A - - - - men.

dim. p rall. pp