

A Spotless Rose

Now Sleeps the Crimson Petal

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$\text{♩} = 62$ *ppp* *(no breathing)* *p* *mf*

Soprano
S

Alto
A

Tenor
T

Bass
B

A Spotless Rose is growing, Sprung from a ten-der root of ancient seers' fore-

fruit; fair-est bud un

6 *p* *poco rit.* **A** 8 *ppp* *a tempo* *f* 10

S

show - ing of Jes - se prom - ised fruit. Its fair - est bud un - folds to light A - mid the

A

show - ing of Jes - se prom - ised fruit. un - folds to light A - mid the

T

show - ing of Jes - se prom - ised fruit; un - folds to light A - mid the

B

show - ing of Jes - se prom - ised fruit; un - folds to light A - mid the

S
cold, cold win - ter, and the dark mid - night.

A
cold, cold win - ter, and the dark mid - night.

T
cold, cold win - ter, and the dark mid - night. The Rose which I am sing - ing

B
cold, cold win - ter, and the dark mid - night. sing - ing

ppp *pp* *p* *pp*

12 14 **B**

Molto espressivo (♩ = 56)

S
Is from its sweet root In Ma - ry, pu - rest Maid; Ma-ry

A
said. spring-ing ah Through God's

T
ah, spring-ing ah, Through God's great love and might

B
ah, spring-ing ah,

mf *f* *molto rit.* *poco rit.*

16 18

a tempo **poco rit.** **a tempo** **rit.** *pp rubato*

S
pu - rest Maid; Ma - ry pu - rest Maid; Through

A
ah The Bles - sed Babe ah, Through God Through

T
ah, The Bles-sed Babe she bare us ah, Through God's great love Through

B
ah, ah, Through

f *f* *pp rubato*

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Molto espressivo ($\text{♩} = 56$) **C** **Adagio, molto espressivo** ($\text{♩} = 62$)

S God's great love and might The Bless-ed Babe she bare us A - mid the

A God's love and might. The Bless-ed Babe she bare us A - mid the

T God's love and might The Bless-ed Babe she bare us A - mid the

B God's love and might The Bless-ed Babe she bare us A mid the

Poco agitato ($\text{♩} = 62$)

S cold, cold win - ter, and the dark mid - night.

A cold, cold winter, and the dark mid - night. Through God's great love and

T cold, cold winter, and the dark mid - night. The Blessed Babe she bare us

B cold, cold winter, and the dark mid - night. bare us

Molto espressivo ($\text{♩} = 56$)

S Is from its sweet root In Ma - ry, pu - rest Maid; Ma-ry

A might spring-ing ah Through God's

T ah. spring-ing ah, Through God's great love and might

B ah, spring-ing Ah,

34 *a tempo* *poco rit.* *a tempo* *f* *rit.* *pp rubato*

S pu - rest Maid; Ma - ry pu - rest Maid; Through

A ah The Bles - sed Babe ah, Through God Through

T ah, The Bles-sed Babe she bare us ah, Through God's great love Through

B Ah, Ah, Through

36 **Molto espressivo** ($\text{♩} = 56$) *ppp* *p* **E** 38

S God's great love and might A Spot-less Rose is grow-ing.

A God's love and might. A Spot-less Rose is grow-ing In a

T God's love and might A Spot-less Rose is grow-ing In a

B God's love and might. A Spot-less Rose is grow-ing In a

40 *ppp* *ppp* *ppp* *ppp* **F** 42 44 46

S Now sleeps the crimson pe-tal.

A cold, cold win - ter's night A - men.

T cold, cold win - ter's night A - men.

B cold, cold win - ter's night A - men.