

Sons of Martha  
A Song of Dusk

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1  
Voice & Piano

♩ = 100

The Sons of Ma-ry seldom

Piano

11  
V&P

bother, for they have in-her-it-ed that good part; But the Sons of Martha fa-vour their

P

21  
V&P

Mother of the care-ful soul and the troubled heart. And because she lost her

P

31  
V&P

temper once, and because she was rude to the Lord her Guest, Her Sons must wait upon Mary's

P

40  
V&P

♩ = 110

Sons, world without end, reprieve, or rest.

P

51  
V&P

It is their care in all the ages to take the buffet and cushion the shock. It is their

P

63  
V&P

care that the gear en - gages; it is their care that the switches lock. It is their

P

74  
V&P

care that the wheels run truly; it is their care to embark and en-train, Tal-ly, transport, and de-

P

2  
83  
V&P  
li - ver du-ly the Sons of Ma-ry by land and main. They say to mountains, "Be  
P

94  
V&P  
ye removed" They say to the lesser floods "Be dry." Under their rods are the rocks reproved; they are  
P

104  
V&P  
not a-fraid of that which is high. Then do the hill tops shake to the summit; then is the  
P

115  
V&P  
bed of the deep laid bare, That the Sons of Ma-ry may overcome it, pleasantly sleeping and un-a -  
P

125  
V&P  
ware. They do not preach that their God will rouse them  
P  
♩ = 120

136  
V&P  
a lit-tle before the nuts work loose. They do not teach that His Pity al-lows them to leave their  
P

147  
V&P  
job when they damn well choose. As in the thronged and the lighted ways, so in the  
P

157  
V&P  
dark and the desert they stand, Wa-ry and watchful all their days that their brethren's days may be  
P

166  
V&P  
long in the land. To these from birth is Belief for-bidden; from these till death is Re-  
P

177  
V&P  
P

lief a-far. They are concerned with matters hidden; under the earthline their altars are

188  
V&P  
P

The sec-ret fountains to fol-low up, waters withdrawn to restore to the mouth, And

198  
V&P  
P

gather the floods as in a cup, and pour them a - gain at a ci - ty's drouth.

208  
V&P  
P

And the Sons of Mary smile and are blessed; they know the angels are on their side. They know in

218  
V&P  
P

them is the Grace confessed, and for them are the Mer-cies mul - ti - plied. They sit at the Feet; they

227  
V&P  
P

hear the Word; they see how tru - ly the Promise runs. They have cast their burden up - on the Lord,

237  
V&P  
P

and the Lord He lays it on Martha's Sons!