

The Holly and The Ivy

Verse

G C G C D7 G

The hol-ly and the i-vy, when they are both full grown, of all the trees that are

G / / / C G / / / / / C D7 / / G D7 G / /

Chorus

C G Bm G C G C

in the wood, the hol-ly bears the crown The ris-ing of the sun and the run-ning of the

C / G / D7 Bm D7 Bm D7 G / / / / C G / / / / / C

D7 G C G Bm G

deer, the play-ing of the mer-ry or-gan, sweet sing-ing in the choir

D7 / / G D7 G / C / G / D7 Bm D7 Bm D7 G

The holly bears a blossom
As white as the lily flower
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To be our sweet Saviour
(chorus)

The holly bears a berry
As red as any blood
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To do poor sinners good
(chorus)

The holly bears a prickle
As sharp as any thorn
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
On Christmas Day in the morn
(chorus)

The holly bears a bark
As bitter as any gall
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to redeem us all
(chorus)