

to William on his 30th birthday

Between Lantern and Star

SATB, Soli SA and Organ (or recorders)

'Toll requiem', said sun to earth,
As the grass got thin.
The star-wheel went, all nails and thorns,
Over mill and kirk and inn.
The old sun died. The widowed earth
Tolled a black bell.
'Our King will return', said root to bone,
To the skeleton tree on the hill.
At midnight, an ox and an ass,
Between lantern and star
Cried, Gloria...Lux in tenebris...
In a wintered byre.

GEORGE MACKAY BROWN

ALASTAIR STOUT

relaxed (♩ = c.40)

mp

S. Solo

A. Solo

"Toll, toll re - qui - em', said sun to earth, As the grass got thin.

"Toll, toll Re - qui - em, said sun to earth, as the grass got thin.

moving forward (♩ = c.60)

4

S. Solo

Org.

4' flute

8' flute

mf

p

mp

3

3

The star-wheel went, all nails and thorns, The star-wheel

6

S. Solo

went, all nails and thorns, ov - er mill and kirk and inn.

Org.



relaxed (♩ = c.40)

9

S. Solo

The old sun died the old sun died, The wi-dowed earth tolled a black bell.

A. Solo

The old sun died the old sun died, The wi-dowed earth tolled a black bell.



12

A. Solo

'Our King will re turn,' said root to bone, 'Our King will re -

Org.

8' flute

4' flute

14

A. Solo

turn,'said root to bone,— to the ske-le-ton tree on the—

Org.

mp

16

A. Solo

hill.

S.

pp lontano *p*

At mid - night, an ox and an ass, at mid - night

A.

pp lontano *p*

At mid - night, an ox and an ass, at

T.

pp lontano

At mid - night,

B.

pp lontano

At mid - - night,

Org.

18 **rall.**
p ————— *f*

S. Solo
 Glo - -

S.
 an ox and an ass Be - tween lan - tern and star Cried,

A.
 mid-night, an ox and an ass Be-tween lan - tern and star Cried,

T.
 an ox and ass and star Cried,

B.
 an ox Be - tween lan - tern Cried, -

20 **relaxed** (♩ = c.40)

S. Solo
 - - ri - a... glo - ri - a... glo - ri - a... Lux in

A. Solo
 Glo - ri - a... glo - ri - a... glo - ri - a... Lux in

22 **rall.**

S. Solo
 ten - e - bris... in a win - ter'd byre.

A. Solo
 ten - e - bris... in a win - ter'd byre.