

AT THE CROSS HER STATION KEEPING

Stabat Mater Dolorosa

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1. At the cross her sta - tion keep - ing, Stood the mourn - ful
 2. Through her heart, his sor - row shar - ing, All his bit - ter
 3. O how sad and sore dis - tress ed, Was that Moth - er
 1. *Sta - bat Ma - ter do - lo - ró - sa Ju - xta cru - cem*
 2. *Cu - jus á - ni - mam ge - mén - tem, Con - tri - stá - tam*
 3. *O quam tri - stis et af - flí - cta Fu - it il - la*



1. Moth - er weep - ing, Close to Je - sus to the last.
 2. an - guish bear - ing, Now at length the sword has passed.
 3. high - ly blest ____ Of the sole be - got - ten One!
 1. *la - cri - mó - sa, Dum pen - dé - bat Fí - li - us.*
 2. *et do - lén - tem, Per - tran - sí - vit glá - di - us.*
 3. *be - ne - dí - cta Ma - ter U - ni - gé - ni - ti!*

4. Christ above in torment hangs,
 She beneath beholds the pangs
 Of her dying, glorious Son.
 4. *Quae maerébat et dolébat,*
Pia Mater, dum vidébat
Nati poenas íncliti.
5. Is there one who would not weep,
 Whelmed in miseries so deep,
 Christ's dear Mother to behold?
 5. *Quis non posset contristári,*
Piam Matrem contemplári
Doléntem cum Fílio?
6. Can the human heart refrain
 From partaking in her pain,
 In that Mother's pain untold?
 6. *Quis est homo qui non fleret,*
Matrem Christi si vidéret
In tanto supplicio?
7. Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,
 She beheld her tender Child,
 All with bloody scourges rent.
 7. *Pro peccátis suaे gentis*
Vidit Jesum in torméntis,
Et flagéllis súbditum.
8. For the sins of his own nation
 Saw him hang in desolation
 Till his spirit forth he sent.
 8. *Vidit suum dulcem Natum*
Moriéntem desolátum,
Dum emisit spíritum.
9. O thou Mother! Font of love,
 Touch my spirit from above,
 Make my heart with thine accord.
 9. *Eia Mater, fons amóris,*
Me sentiré vim dolórís
Fac, ut tecum lúgeam.
10. Make me feel as thou hast felt;
 Make my soul to glow and melt
 With the love of Christ, my Lord.
 10. *Fac ut árdeat cor meum*
in amándo Christum Deum,
ut sibi compláceam.
11. Holy Mother, pierce me through,
 In my heart each wound renew
 Of my Savior crucified.
 11. *Sancta Mater, istud agas,*
Crucifixi fíge plágas
Cordi meo válide.
12. Let me share with thee his pain,
 Who for all my sins was slain,
 Who for me in torment died.
 12. *Tui Nati vulneráti,*
Tam dignáti pro me pati,
Poenas mécum divide.
13. Let me mingle tears with thee,
 Mourning him who mourned for me,
 All the days that I may live.
 13. *Fac me vere tecum flere,*
Crucifíxo condolére,
Donec ego víxero.
14. By the cross with thee to stay;
 There with thee to weep and pray,
 All I ask of thee to give.
 14. *Juxta crucem tecum stare,*
Ac me tibi sociáre
In planctu desídtero.
15. Virgin of all Virgins best!
 Listen to my fond request:
 Let me share thy grief divine.
 15. *Virgo vírginum paeclára,*
Mihi jam non sis amára:
Fac me tecum plángere.

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