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Kate Rusby "The Holly And The Ivy"

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The holly and the ivy,
When they are both full grown,
Of all the trees that are in the wood,
The holly bears the crown.

CHORUS:

O the rusing of the sun, And the running of the deer, The laying of the merry organ, Sweet singing all in the choir,

The holly bears a berry, As red as any blood, And Mary bore sweet Jesus, To do poor sinners good.

CHORUS

The holly bears a blossom, As white as lily flower, And Mary bore sweet Jesus, To be our sweet Saviour.

CHORUS

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

CHORUS

The holly bears a prickle, As sharp as any thorn, And Mary bore sweet Jesus, On Christmas Day in the morn.

CHORUS

Oh the holly bears a flower, As white as any milk,

And Mary bore sweet Jesus

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