

## **Pandemonium "Behind The Mask"**

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When the shadows appear  
I feel a touch from the dead  
I open my eyes into a new world of fear  
My soul is caressed by the hands of the unblessed  
Falling into silence  
In flames I lay to rest

Seduced by the one who enthroned my inner self  
Behind the mask  
The torment was waiting to prevail  
The mourning, the screams  
The pleasure was to curse  
The one who slept in grace

In plagues they raise their arms  
To be embraced by the spirits  
That bring them endless nights

I see the water reflect a human face  
A blind man's acts I practice  
I walk around in sleep  
But the truth is hidden  
Melancholic winds are blowing with a prophecy

Behind the mask  
There's a face of evil  
Something that was meant to be  
Behind the mask there's a creature in pain  
Searching for the light  
To be released from torment

Hiding from myself  
Hiding from eternal hatred  
Impossible to flee  
Dark is my eternity  
Once so plain and beautiful  
Despair has cursed the face  
The flames have spawned my dark impurity

Disgrace from the world below has occurred

The oath was sworn to me  
But the one behind the mask  
Is blessed by death and heresy

I'll see them fall  
Obedience to the mask is all  
Fools they will remain  
My wisdom tells they'll burn in pain  
The serpent has seduced me once  
Like Eve I've tasted the unknown  
Forbidden fruits: a cursed proposal  
Of the one behind the mask

The joyful times have changed into an endless night  
The souls that fell are abandoning the light  
Now the hall of flames is their home  
No one will hear when the songs of repentance are  
sung

I close my eyes  
My mind is bright  
Released from ghosts of suicide  
Who'll care?  
In death we'll all unite

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Ever since the time I stepped down from my throne  
Luscious spirits tempt my soul  
Imprinted memories blind me when I moan

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"Hoc est corpus meum  
This is my body, this is my flesh  
Hoc est corpus meum  
I present myself to thee  
Hoc est corpus meum  
This is my body, this is my flesh  
Hoc est corpus meum  
As a fallen entity"

The time has come for you to see  
The secrets of your hollow soul  
It all turned out to be  
A monument of a faceless creature  
Anthems of an evil seed  
Something that will be eternal  
In this chaos and insanity

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