

## **Cletis Carr**

# **"Mother Mary"**

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Mary waits at the Tudor Hotel  
Strong and assured, yet so feminine  
Stands so firm, not so much for herself  
As for the unborn baby she carries within  
She's there to decide on the right thing to do  
Should she run away, and never look back  
Or to go back home and face the truth  
Cause her future's about to catch up her past

Take your time, Mother Mary  
Step light so you don't fall  
You know, life's just like a baby  
We all want to walk before we crawl

She looks through her bag on the marble tiles  
A photograph of a brown-eyed man  
She keeps it close, she says for her child  
Should he ever need to see his Dad  
She breathes a sigh and whispers his name  
Too many things still left unsaid  
Mostly pride, and just a little shame  
This world doesn't like it's mothers unwed

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An old woman stares out the window, lonely and lost  
An old couple sits at a table, and Mary thinks, that  
could be us

Mary waits at the Tudor Hotel  
Picks up her bag, makes up her mind  
The doors revolve like a circus carousel  
Takes one last look, says goodbye

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