

St Johns Community Choir

Star's Arising

Bright Morning Star's arising
Bright Morning Star's arising
Bright Morning Star's arising
Day is a-breaking in my soul

Oh, where are our dear mothers?
Oh, where are our dear mothers?
Oh, where are our dear mothers?
Day is a-breaking in my soul

They are down in the valley praying
They are down in the valley praying
They are down in the valley praying
Day is a-breaking in my soul

Oh, where are our dear fathers?
Oh, where are our dear fathers?
Oh, where are our dear fathers?
Day is a-breaking in my soul

They have gone to heaven shouting
They have gone to heaven shouting
They have gone to heaven shouting
Day is a-breaking in my soul

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Circle of the Sun

Children are born in the circle of the sun

Circle of the sun is their birthing day

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Clouds to the North, clouds to the south

Wind and rain to the East and West

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Circle of the sun is their birthing day

Children all – etc

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The Mingulay Boat Song

[Chorus]

*Heel ya ho boys, let her go boys
Turn her head into the weather
Heel ya ho boys, let her go boys
Sailing homeward to Mingulay*

What care we though white the Minch is
What care we for wind and weather
Let her go boys, every inch is
Wearing homeward to Mingulay

[Chorus]

Wives are waiting by the pierhead
Or looking seaward from the heather
Bring her round boys and we'll anchor
E'er the sun sets on Mingulay

[Chorus]

Ships return now, heavy laden
Mothers holdin' bairns a cryin'
They'll return though, when the sun sets
They'll return to Mingulay

[Chorus]

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Golden Slumbers

Golden slumbers kiss your eyes,
Smiles await you when you rise.

Sleep,

Pretty baby,

Do not cry,

And I will sing a lullaby.

Cares you know not,

Therefore sleep,

While over you a watch I'll keep.

Sleep,

Pretty darling,

Do not cry,

And I will sing a lullaby.

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Chorus:

*Hello Mary Lou
Goodbye heart
Sweet Mary Lou
I'm so in love with you
I knew Mary Lou
We'd never part
So hello Mary Lou
Goodbye heart*

You passed me by one sunny day
Flashed those big brown eyes my way
And oo I wanted you forever more
Now I'm not one that gets around
I swear my feet stuck to the ground
And though I never did meet you before (I said)

(Chorus)

I saw your lips I heard your voice
Believe me I just had no choice
Wild horses couldn't make me stay away
I thought about a moonlit night
My arms wrapped round you good an' tight
That's all I had to see for me to say

(Chorus)

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(I Can't Help) Falling in Love With You

Wise men say only fools rush in
But I can't help falling in love with you

Shall I stay? Would it be a sin?
If I can't help falling in love with you

Like a river flows surely to the sea
Darling, so it goes: Some things are meant to be

Take my hand, take my whole life too
For I can't help falling in love with you

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Michael Finnegan

The was an old man called Michael Finnegan
He grew whiskers on his chinnigin
The wind came up and blew them in again
Poor old Michael Finnegan (begin again)

Finnegan begin again, Finnegan begin again
Finnegan begin again, Finnegan begin again
Finnegan begin again, Finnegan begin again
Poor old Michael Finnegan

Michael Finnegan drinking gin again
Filled his skin again drinking gin again
Hit his shinnigin, made a dinnigin
Poor old Michael Finnegan

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Summer is icumen in

14th Century round

Sumer is icumen in, lude sing cucu

Groweth sede and bloweth mead and springs the wood anew

Sing cucu, yow now bleteth after lamb, loweth after calve cu

Bullock starteth, buck now verteth, merrye sing cucu

Cucu, cucu, well singest thou cucu, nor swick tha naver now

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Vive la Compagnie

Let every good fellow, now join in our song,
Vive la compagnie!

Success to each other, and pass it along,
Vive la compagnie!

Chorus:

Vive la, vive la,

Vive l'amour.

Vive la, vive la,

Vive l'amour.

Vive l'amour, vive l'amour,

Vive la compagnie!!

A friend on your left, and a friend on your right,

Vive la compagnie!

In love and good fellowship, let us unite,

Vive la compagnie!

Repeat chorus

Now wider and wider, our circle expands,

Vive la compagnie!

We'll sing to our comrades, in far away lands

Vive la compagnie!

Repeat chorus

With friends all around us, we'll sing out our song

Vive la compagnie!

We'll banish our troubles, it won't take us long

Vive la compagnie!

Repeat chorus

Should time or occasion, compel us to part

Vive la compagnie!

These days shall forever, enliven our heart

Vive la compagnie!

Repeat chorus