

The Holly and the Ivy

C F C Am F G

The hol-ly and the i - vy, When they are both full grown, Of__

C F C G C (Chorus)

all the trees that are in the wood, The__ hol - ly bears the crown. The

F C Am F G

ris - ing of the sun__ and the run - ning of the deer, The__

C F C G C

play - ing of the mer - ry org - an, sweet sing - ing in the choir.

2

The holly bears a blossom,
As white as the lily flower,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ,
To be our sweet Saviour.
The rising of the sun, etc.

4

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

3

The holly bears a berry,
As red as any blood,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to do us sinners good.
The rising of the sun, etc.

5

The holly bears a bark,
As bitter as any gall,
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to redeem us all.
The rising of the sun, etc.

6

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.
The rising of the sun, etc.