

The Holly and the Ivy - Harry Boucher (as collected)

Collected by Gwilym Davies 1988

Sung by Harry Boucher (81) of Staunton, Glos
(recorded in Churchdown)

The hol - ly bears the ber-ry as red as a - ny blood,___ As
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Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ to do poor sin - ners good.___ The
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run - ning of the deer,___ the com - ing of the earth___ The
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play - ing of the mer - ry or - gan sweet sing - ing of the choir.

The holly bears the berry as red as any blood
As Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ to do poor sinners good.

The running of the deer, the coming of the earth
The playing of the merry organ sweet singing of the choir

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Source: Davies recording, which has only one verse and chorus

Notes: 1. Davies only recorded one verse

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