

# The Holly and The Ivy

Traditional English

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1. The hol-ly and the i - vy, When they are both full grown, Of  
2. The hol-ly bears a blos - som, As white as li - ly flow'r, And  
3. The hol-ly bears a ber - ry, As red as an - y blood, And  
4. The hol-ly bears a prick - le, As sharp as an - y thorn, And  
5. The hol-ly bears a bark, As bit - ter as the gall, And  
6. The hol-ly and the i - vy, When they are both full grown, Of

all the trees that are in the wood, The hol - ly bears the crown:  
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, To be our dear Sav - ior:  
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, To do poor sin - ners good:  
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, On Christ - mas day in the morn:  
Ma - ry bore sweet Je - sus Christ, For to re - deem us all:  
all the trees that are in the wood, The hol - ly bears the crown.

The ris - ing of the sun and the run - ning of the deer,

The playing of the mer - ry or - gan, Sweet singing in the choir.