

At the Cry of the First Bird

Easter Anthem Arranged for SATB Choir by Keith D Rowley

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Ancient Irish Poetry

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Slowly, with great dignity and feeling ♩ = ca. 56

SA

Unis. *p* At At the cry

TB

of the first bird They be - gan to cru - ci - fy Thee, They be - gan to cru - ci -

fy Thee, at the cry of the first bird. Div. O cheek like a swan!

O cheek like a swan! Unis. It was not right — ev - er to cease la -

ment - ing. Div. It was like the part - ing of day from night.

p Ah! though sore the suf - fer - ing Put up - on the bod - y of Ma - ry's

Son. Sor - er to Him was the grief — That was up - on her

p for His sake. — *p* At the cry — of the first bird —

Unis. At — of —

— They — They be - gan to cru - ci - fy Thee, They be - gan to cru - ci - fy Thee.

Unis. O cheek like a swan! O cheek like a swan! —

Div.