

Silent Night (Enigma Variations)

based on "Nimrod" from Edward Elgar's *Enigma Variations*

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Tenderly ♩ = 68

Piano introduction in B-flat major, 3/4 time. The music is marked *p* (piano). It features a tender melody in the right hand and a supporting bass line in the left hand. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat).

rit. ♩ = 39 (♩ = 78)

Continuation of the piano introduction, marked *p*. It includes a tempo change to 39 beats per minute (marked as 78 half notes). The music is marked *rit.* (ritardando). A rehearsal mark '6' is present at the beginning of this section. A time signature change to 3/4 is indicated. A digital display shows 0:25.

Verse 1

10 *p* MALE SOLO, tenderly

Male solo vocal line, marked *p* (piano). The lyrics are: Si - lent night! Oh, ho - ly night! All is calm and all is so bright 'round yon.

with expression

Piano accompaniment for the male solo, marked *with expression*. The music is in B-flat major, 3/4 time, and features a tender melody in the right hand and a supporting bass line in the left hand.



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14

1:06

vir-gin moth - er and child! Ho - ly in-fant ten - der and so mild.

mp

18

Verse 2

Ooh Ooh

mp Si - lent night! Oh, ho - ly night! Shep-herds qua-king at the

23

mf The Son of

God and all love's pure light. Glo-ry streams from Heav - en

Babe's sight, *mf*

27

Ah Sweet ho-ly

a - far. Heav-'nly hosts sing Al - le - lu - ia! Je-sus, Lord, at Thy

Je - sus, Lord *mp*

Più mosso ♩ = 44 (♩ = 88)

Interlude

32

mf sweetly

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

mp

birth!

mf

36

♩ 2:40

rit.

Musical score for measures 36-39. The score is in B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. It features three staves: a vocal line (soprano), a vocal line (bass), and a piano accompaniment. The vocal lines enter in measure 36 with the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia," and continue through measure 39 with "al - le - lu - ia!". The piano accompaniment begins in measure 36 with a melody in the right hand and chords in the left hand. Dynamics include *mp* (mezzo-piano) and *mf* (mezzo-forte). A large watermark "ILLEGAL TO COPY • PREVIEW ONLY" is visible across the score.

♩ = 36 (♩ = 72)

Verse 3

40

Musical score for measures 40-43, labeled "Verse 3". The score is in B-flat major and 4/4 time. It features three staves: a vocal line (soprano), a vocal line (bass), and a piano accompaniment. The vocal lines enter in measure 40 with the lyrics "Oh, - most ho - ly - night! —" and continue through measure 43 with "O won-drous Si - lent night! Oh, ho - ly night! All is calm and all is so bright!". The piano accompaniment begins in measure 40 with a melody in the right hand and chords in the left hand. Dynamics include *f* (forte). A large watermark "ILLEGAL TO COPY • PREVIEW ONLY" is visible across the score.

44 ♪ 3:17

mf cresc.

star, now lend us thy light! With all heav-en's an - gels we sing, Al - le -

Ah_____ Ooh_____ *mf* *cresc.* With all heav-en's an - gels we sing, Al - le-lu - ia! Al -

mf *cresc.*

loco *mf* *cresc.*

49 ♪ 3:48

Broadly

f *ff* *ff* *ff* stagger breathing as needed

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!_____

le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!_____

f *ff* stagger breathing as needed

rit. al fine

54

The musical score is written for four staves. The first three staves are vocal parts (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass), and the fourth staff is the piano accompaniment. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats), and the time signature is 3/4. The score begins at measure 54. The vocal parts have lyrics: 'Christ the Lord is born.' followed by 'Christ is born.' The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. Dynamics include *fff* (fortissimo), *mf* (mezzo-forte), and *p* (piano). The tempo marking 'rit. al fine' is placed above the first vocal staff. A large, semi-transparent watermark reading 'ILLEGAL TO COPY • PREVIEW ONLY' is overlaid diagonally across the bottom half of the page.

Christ the Lord is born. Christ is born.

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Christ is born. Christ is born.

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