

The sleep of the Infant Jesus

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SSAB in C minor

François-Auguste Gevaert (1828-1908)

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Lent ♩ = 72 - 80

pp

Soprano 1
Sleep, sleep, sleep. Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

Soprano 2
pp en dehors
Sleep'tween the cow and the don-key grey,
Sleep'tween the shep-herds so fair and gay,

Alto
pp
Sleep, sleep. Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

Bass
pp
Sleep, sleep. Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

Piano (for rehearsal purposes only)

7 *pp en dehors*

S.
My in-fant Child, lul - ly, lul - lay.
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S.
pp
Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

A.
sempre pp
Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

B.
sempre pp
Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

Pno.

11 *p espressivo*

S. Hosts of Che-ru-bim, My-riad se-ra-phim, Fly-ing round, en-cir-cling this great

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A. Hosts of Che-ru-bim, My-riad se-ra-phim, Fly-ing round, en-cir-cling this great

B. Hosts of Che-ru-bim, My-riad se-ra-phim, Fly-ing round, en-cir-cling this great

Pno.

14 *f* *subito pp*

S. God of love, great God of love.

S. God of love, great God of love.

A. God of love, great God of love.

B. God of love, great God of love.

Pno.

18 *pp*

S. Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

S. *pp* Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

A. *(en dehors)*

pp In the arms of Ma - ry, Jo - seph's wife,
mf On this no - ble ho - ly day, forth tell:

B. Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

Pno.

22 *sempre pp*

S. Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

S. *sempre pp* Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

A. *(en dehors)*

pp Sleep, sleep, the fruit of life.
mf Je - sus lives, our Em - ma - nu - el!

B. *pp* Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.

Pno.

26 *p espressivo*

S. Hosts of Che-ru-bim, My-riad se-ra-phim, Fly-ing round, en-cir-cling this great

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A. Hosts of Che-ru-bim, My-riad se-ra-phim, Fly-ing round, en-cir-cling this great

B. Hosts of Che-ru-bim, My-riad se-ra-phim, Fly-ing round, en-cir-cling this great

Pno.

29

S. *f* God of love, great God of love. 1. *subito pp* great God of love. 2. *ff molto rit* great God of love.

S. *f* God of love, great God of love. *subito pp* great God of love. *ff molto rit* great God of love.

A. *f* God of love, great God of love. *subito pp* great God of love. *ff molto rit* great God of love.

B. *f* God of love, great God of love. *subito pp* great God of love. *ff molto rit* great God of love.

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