

GRACE

Frank and Sean O'Meara (1985)

Grace Gifford was an Irish artist and activist in the Irish Republican Movement. She married Joseph Plunkett, an Irish journalist, poet and republican activist, in Kilmainham Jail, a few hours before he was executed for his part as a leader in the 1916 uprising.

The image displays a musical score for the song "The Sound of Silence" by Simon & Garfunkel. It is presented in a four-staff format, with each staff containing a guitar part (indicated by a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp, F#) and a piano part (indicated by a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp, F#). The tempo is marked as "♩ = 100". The guitar part is written in a 4/4 time signature, while the piano part is written in a 3/4 time signature. The score includes various chords and melodic lines, with chord diagrams provided for the guitar part. The chords are: C, G, Am, D, Em, and F#. The piano part is written in a 3/4 time signature, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The score includes various chords and melodic lines, with chord diagrams provided for the guitar part. The chords are: C, G, Am, D, Em, and F#.

Verse 1: As we gather in the chapel here in old Kilmainham jail
I think about these past few weeks, oh will they say we failed
From our school days they have told us we must yearn for liberty
Yet all I want in this dark place is to have you here with me

D C G

Chorus: Oh Grace, just hold me in your arms and let this moment linger

C G D

They take me out at dawn and I will die

C G

With all my love I place this wedding ring upon your finger

C G Em D G

There won't be time to share our love so we must say goodbye

Verse 2: Now I know it's hard for you my love to ever understand
The love I bear for these brave men, my love for this brave land
But when Pádraic called me to his side down in the G.P.O.
I had to leave my own sick bed, to him I had to go

Chorus: Oh Grace, just hold me in your arms and let this moment linger
They take me out at dawn and I will die
With all my love I place this wedding ring upon your finger
There won't be time to share our love so we must say goodbye

Verse 3: Now as the dawn is breaking my heart is breaking too
As I walk out on this May morn my thoughts will be of you
And I'll write some words upon the wall so everyone will know
I loved so much that I could see his blood upon the rose

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