

Cemetery and Sundown

Cradle of Filth

We rise with the sun in the underworld
We suffer from a graveless name
We prise wide lids and wounds with lips curled
Over teeth that have tasted shameTasted shame
Cemetery and sundownAgainst the flora of nightfall
We gather like the fauna of war
To curse Aurora so spiteful
With her stake in the coming of dawnTo conjure forth the past
Those heady nights of pain resplendent
In the service of the Goddess of Death
When her sheets ran royalty redMoons lengthen our crypt kept silhouettes
Shadows dance, eyes flicker in descent
Unveil the greed, our needs are bitter spent
On upturned mouths and haunts of wickednessWe walk this Eden, a secret
Faces hidden under Leonine pride
In dusk's embrace we find it hard to keep it
When blood and lust and waking worlds collideAnd waking worlds collide
Cemetery and sundownToo long have we skulked like drifters
In the cities of the neon sun
Vagabond dogs and graveyard shifters
Mona Lisa's, where the paint has runI miss our glorious past
Our nightly flights on fear dependent
Like phantoms in the caves for Miss Christine
When the song bird broke her neckWolves howl their fogbound serenades
Churches arch their backs with balustrades
Praise be to the shedding of masquerades
When we hunt these vestal vermin unafraid of the covenant madeDraw the blinds on the floors of raw meat
There is murder in the thirstRich red vascular tapestries
Hung in gilded frames of nuns asleep
In dreams where themes of hestiality
Are a blessing on their Sunday sheepCemetery and sundown
Over cemetery and sundownNow the clock is harrying midnight
And the ghost of yet to come
Will she show rewrites of dark delight
Over the sewers we've overrun?I see a winter palace
Cut diamonds into porcelain neck
When Swan Lake crushed poor sanity's spirit
As I threw out to it bledWe rise with the sun in the underworld
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