



The Lesser Joys of Christmas

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Dolce Rubato ♩ = 68

mf

Christ-mas is plum pud- ding, — baub- les or — Hol- ly wreaths and rein- deer,

Christ-mas is plum pud- ding, — baub- les a tree. — Hol- ly wreaths and rein- deer,

poco rit.

kids on San-ta's knee. — Christ-mas means three wise men, choirs of an- gels sing- ing. Ah —

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a tempo

rit.

But there's some- thing else that Christ- mas keeps on bring- ing.

But there's some- thing else — that Christ- mas keeps on bring- ing.

A ♩ = 64

Panic Mode ♩ = 128

9 *mp* Christ-mas shop- ping*...
mp *close directly to the "ng" Christ-mas shop-ping*.

p *f*

B Women start verse 1

13 *mf* 1. Christ - mas shop-ping, Christ-mas shop - ing, I just liv e at night. Won-d'ring if those ties and socks and

mf Men start verse 2
 2. Have I done my best for Grand-ma? at gown fine or not? Will the rib-bons give her rash - es;

mf *leggiero* *with precision*

16 books and toy .te right. I gave the same thing just last year.
 (2) What does cou - sin Nan-cy need?

(1) Co - lour's wrong it does n't fit
 v - bric be too hot? How will un - cle like the book- ends?

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(1) If I had one wish right now I'd make the sea - son dis - ap - pear!
 (2) Like a ham - ster on a wheel, I'm go - ing no - where at full speed.

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22 **C**
mp
 Shop - ping for the kids is ea - sy and you're sure you can't They have made a list for San - ta

25
 for - ty sev - en i - tems long.
 you find your hopes di - min - ish as you race from store to store.

28
 All the toys are sold out and they're not ex - pect - ing more.
 ra - v'rite toys are sold out and they're not ex - pect - ing more.

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31 *mp* Oo

mf

What a - bout the child-ren's tea-chers? Fan - cy c . n - cy soap?

f *mp*

34 *mf* Oo

Bloom-in' plants or books or choc' lates, I'll just take a . nope.

mp

For the pa - per girl and post-man,

mf

37 *mf* *f*

But de - cid - ing just how much can drive me to the brink!

f

cas' ter, don't you think? But de - cid - ing just how much can drive me to the brink!

mf *f*

molto rit.

40

mf

Christ-mas is roast tur- key, — Ru-dolph on the lawn, —

mf

Christ-mas is roast tur- key, — on the lawn, —

44

stock-ings hung by chim - neys, wait - ing for the day Christ-mas means a punch - bowl

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47

poco rit.

with a yule log burn - ing. — e's some-thing else for which I am not yearn - ing:

rit.

with a yule log burn - ing. — But there's some-thing else for which I am not yearn - ing:

50

♩ = 64

mp

Christ- -rts. —

♩ = 128

mp

Christ-mas con-certs.

p

f

pp

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F *mf*

54
 Christ-mas con-certs, Christ-mas con-certs, how I shud-der with de-spair at the thought of all that sit-ting

mp

57
 on those fold-ing met - al chairs. Off - key ten

Weak so - pra - nos, Di - a - logue that can't be heard!

mp

60
 I must clap and yell for more, how to surd!

f

I must clap and yell for more al - ly ab - surd!

f *p* *mf*

G

64
mp
 et - ters, Christ-mas let - ters, you must know the kind I mean. Full of all the fam' lies' do - ings,

mp

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67 *sarcasm*

their's is quite the win-ning team!

mp

Moth-er golf-ing, Dad pro-mo-ted and their kid' chan fine.

70 *f*

Are these o-ther fam' lies so su - per - i - or to mine?

f

Are these o-ther fam' lies so su - per - i - or

cresc.

f

Red.

74 **H** *f*

Christ-mas shop. Christ-mas let-ters drive me mad. But when Christ-mas day is here. I

Christ-mas shop-ing But when Christ-mas day is here. I

mf

mf

$\text{♩} = 86$

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Rubato
molto rit.

77

♩ = 76

must ad-mit it's not so bad. Gifts are o-pened car-ols sung 'h cups of cheer.
 must ad-mit it's not so bad. din-ners ea-ten c with cups of cheer.

pp *mp*

81

♩ = 100

accel. ♩ = 128

I give thanks there's lots of time' e's three hun - dred and six - ty four
 I give thanks there's lots There's three hun - dred and six - ty four

84

accel.

shop-ping days next year!
 shop-pi 'til next year!

f