

Coventry Carol

English Carol

Traditional, 16th c.

Musical notation for the first system of the Coventry Carol, measures 1-7. The music is in 3/4 time and G major. The lyrics are: Lul - ly, lul - lay, thou lit - tle ti - ny child, bye, bye, lul - ly, lul - lay, thou

Musical notation for the second system of the Coventry Carol, measures 8-14. The music is in 3/4 time and G major. The lyrics are: lit - tle tin-ny child, lul - ly, lul - lay, bye, bye, lul - ly lul - lay.

Lully, lullay, Thou little tiny Child,
Bye, bye, lully, lullay.
Lullay, thou little tiny Child,
Bye, bye, lully, lullay.

O sisters too, how may we do,
For to preserve this day
This poor youngling for whom we do sing
Bye, bye, lully, lullay.

Herod, the king, in his raging,
Charged he hath this day
His men of might, in his own sight,
All young children to slay.

That woe is me, poor Child for Thee!
And ever mourn and sigh,
For thy parting neither say nor sing,
Bye, bye, lully, lullay.