

A May Crowning Hymn

# Bring Flowers of the Fairest

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*an alternate melody for the popular hymn*

In the manner of a folk song

1. Bring flowers of the fair-est, bring flowers of the rar-est, From  
2. Our voic-es as-cend-ing, in har-mo-ny blend-ing, Oh! —  
3. O Vi-gin most ten-der, our hom-age we ren-der, Thy —  
4. Of Moth-ers the dear-est, oh, wilt thou be near-est, When

gar-den and wood-land and hill-side and vale; Our full hearts are swell-ing, our —  
thus may our hearts turn, dear Moth-er to thee; Oh! thus shall we prove thee how  
love and pro-tec-tion, sweet Moth-er, to win; In dan-ger de-fend us, in —  
life with temp-ta-tion is dark-ly re-plete? For-sake us, O ne-ver! our —

6 Refrain:  
glad voi-ces tell-ing The praise of the love-li-est Rose of the vale. O —  
tru-ly we love thee, How dark with-out Ma-ry life's jour-ney would be.  
sor-row be-friend us, And shield our poor hearts from con-ta-gion and sin.  
hearts be they e-ver As pure as the li-lies we lay at thy feet.

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Ma-ry! we crown thee with blos-soms to day, Queen of the An-gels, Queen of the May.