

OXFORD

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Sacred

BC 18

SATB

and keyboard

for Grupo Vocal Olisipo

# IRISH BLESSING

Traditional

BOB CHILCOTT

With a gentle lilt ♩ = c.92

unis. *mp cantabile*

SOPRANO  
ALTO

PIANO  
OR  
ORGAN

*dolce*  
*mp*

May the

5

road rise to meet you, — may the wind be e-ver at your back, may the

5

9

sun shine warm u - pon your face, and the rain fall soft u-pon your fields, —

9

13 *cresc.* *mf*

And un - til we meet a - gain,

17 *dolce* *div.* *unis.*

May God hold you, may God hold you, e - ver in the

21

palm\_ of his hand.

25 *mf*

SOPRANO  
ALTO  
TENOR  
BASS

May the road rise to meet you, — may the wind be e-ver at your

29

back, may the sun shine warm u - pon - your - face, and the

32

rain fall soft u-pon your fields, T. your fields, And un - til we meet a -

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

*cresc.*

36

- gain, may God hold you, may God hold you, s. hold you, (div.) may God

*f* *mf*

*f* *mf*

*f* *mf*

hold you,

40 *mp*

hold you, e - ver in the palm of his hand,

*mp*

44 *poco rit.* *a little slower* *p*

E - ver in the palm of his hand.

*poco rit.* *a little slower* *p*

48 *p* *rit. e dim.* *pp*

the palm of his hand.

*p* *rit. e dim.* *pp*

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