

# Ah! My Child!

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"Ah mon fils, sois béni"  
from Act 2 of "Le Prophète"

Music by  
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No. 10  
ARIOSO

**Allegro molto Moderato**

*f* *fp* *f* *dim.*

6 **Andante Expressivo (M. 50=)**

*p* Ah! my child! Ah! my

*pp*

11 *p*

child! For thy poor moth - er Didst thou then

*pp*

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17 *cresc.* *dim.*

smoth - er All thy sweet dreams, all thy sweet dreams of Ber - tha's love?

*poco cres.* *cresc.* *smorz.* *pp*

22 *p*

Ah! my child! Ah! my child! Thou

*p*

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hast a - las! cast a - way, for thy moth - er. e'en

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more than life, all the hopes that had warmed thy young heart.

pp

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*p* < > *f* (with exaltation)

Ah! my child! Ah my child May gra - cious\_

*p*

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heaven, may gra - cious heaven re - ceive\_ my sup - pli-

ppp

8va-

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ca - tion! An - gels at - tend thee, Spir - its de - fend thee, My

39 (8<sup>va</sup>) - - - - - loco dolce

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child ev - er blessed, ev - er blessed, ev - er blessed be thou! ev - er blessed in

43 *molto cresc.* 3 3 3 8<sup>va</sup> - - - - - p

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heaven, bless - ed in heaven, My child! My

46 (8<sup>va</sup>) - - - - - dolce pp

51 CADENZA

child! Heav'n-ly bless-ings be on thee! Heav'n-ly ben-e-dic-tions rest on thee,

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my child! Bless-ings on thee!

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61 *sempre dim.*

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*pp*