Behold a Star Shining

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Peformance Notes

This carol, published for the first time in *Sing We Now of Christmas,* was written by Brian Moore, an Australian Jesuit priest and a writer who died in 1997. The three stanzas develop the traditional symbolism of the gifts brought to the manger by the Magi. Verse 1 is in unison, while Verses 2 and 3 are in parts. In these latter verses, care needs to be taken that, in the two-part writing for sopranos and tenors, the tenors do not swamp the melody line above.

—Christopher Willcock