Hymn for Mary MacKillop

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VERSE 1

Living gift she gave to us
And showed a wisdom You give
Dwelling in a land where she was born
Your Spirit had always lived
Her search was to know
Where Your heart yearned to go
A place no princes could build
She trusted in the words of life

REFRAIN 1

Your promises would be fulfilled

VERSE 2

She braved the heat, the drought, the flood
A lonely distance to know
Burdens of a people long forgotten
Calling her to go
Communing with those
Your kindred have made
Outsiders in Your place
Her action spoke of love she shared

REFRAIN 2

Your mem'ry alive in the common bread

VERSE 3

Teaching us in words we know
She helped Your people to bring
To our darker side Your shining light
That gives us heart to sing
Let strangers and poor
Cry out at Your door
Let children see Your face
We praise the gift she did not hide

REFRAIN 3

To live Your love and never divide

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