The Holy Hour

The Cure

I kneel and wait in silence As one by one the people slip away Into the night The quiet and empty bodies Kiss the ground before they pray Kiss the ground And slip awayI sit and listen dreamlessly A promise of salvation makes me stay Then look at your face And feel my heart pushed in As all around the children play The games they tired of yesterdayThey play They play I stand and hear my voice Cry out A wordless scream at ancient power It breaks against stone I softly leave you crying I cannot hold what you devour The sacrifice of penance In the holy hour

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