

*And when the last of us returns to thee*

**Choral portion of Section II. Chorus and Bass Solo**  
from  
*Hymn to the Earth* [1929]

**Edward Joseph Collins, music and words**

And when the last of us returns to thee,  
And life and death have ceased to be,  
Thou wilt still roll on through endless space  
Amid the vast silence of eternity, patiently awaiting  
Who knows? Ah!