

Rosemary's Sister

Fairport Convention

1. Mother of disaster and sister of our fate
do you recall the tragedy we see
Father of confusion and brother of debate
do you recall the sister of Rosemary

The doodlebugs were flying
the blitz was at its high
Rosemary lay sleeping with her sister inly five
and no one heard the One that hit
the one that blew the lid
Rosemary came out crying and her sister never did

- R: And you fly high and your dreams are all in vain
one moment you are singing and the next you cry in pain

And high above the heavens
on a host of angels wings
Rosemary's sister will be dancing

2. Her mother cried all that year as many others did
she pulled thru for a moment now and then
and the people down in Bethnal Street in the rubble of the storm
swept up their lives and started on again

When tyranny is biting you do your best to try
to stifle all the heart ache till it's safe again to cry
and when at last the darkness clears and the sun comes shining thru
we'll dust it off and start in on a' new

R:

3. Theres a teacher in the classroom
theres mothers in the hall
children sit and wait for the bell for home
Rosemary is waiting she's a child now of her own
she's waiting to collect and take her home

But sometimes in the silence in the firelight where she sits
her mind goes back to Bethnal Street to the darkenss and the blitz
and she knows if theres another one

then the end will be complete
I wonder what they'd say in Bethnal Street

R: