

The Young Martyr

Penumbra

I remember
Your heavenly face underwater
Admiring its whiteness
Under the moon rays
And the life going out
Of your magnificent wounds
Wraps up of red your naked flesh

On your pearly nails, the subdued light
Gleam under water in a deep silence
And your veins, in a complexe network
Draw on your skin tree roots

You who sleep for ever
In your cold shroud
Shall the disgrace fall on
Your holy misfortune

Which sentences for its crime
Your suicided spirit
And puts on its face
An accusing appearance

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Your dark hair, as an oil slick
Stays on the surface, refusing to sink
It tries to make believe of a last hope
It dances on the waves, unlifed, unlifed