

# STAR OF THE SEA

(Recorded on Solo Performance, There's Two Sides To It)

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Written around a little white Catholic church on the North Island of New Zealand's East Coast. It had a fine steeple bell, brave to wind, sea and loss of life. 'Star Of The Sea' is a Marial appellation. Imagine the life of an East Coast, North Island fisherman.

**Key =G Time=3/4**

Intro/link: | **Am** | **Em** | **Am** | **Em** |

**C(add9)** **G (/B)** **D (/A)**  
I wake with the sun and the wind and the rain  
**Bb** **F (/A)** **G** **D (/F#)**  
I wake always early and always the same  
**C(add9)** **G (/B)** **D (/A)**  
I wake with a burden or wake with a song  
**Bb** **F (/A)** **G**  
But I wake to the life of a fisherman.

Chorus:

**Am** **G**  
Star of the sea, Star of the sea,  
**C** **G** **D (/F#)** **G**  
Guide us home safely through the wild water safely,  
**Am** **G**  
In past the reef to the harbour of peace,  
**C** **G (/B)** **Am**  
Guide us home safely Star of the Sea.

- 2) I think of the sun and the way it can burn  
Think of the wind and the way it can turn,  
I think of the salt and the fish and my skin  
And the smells of the life of a fisherman.
- 3) It makes a man crazy always to be  
Alone with the seabirds, the seawind, the sea.  
It blows up a storm in my mind and I curse  
The lonely life of a fisherman.
- 4) I rember the numbers of days on the shore,  
The air doesn't move and the people want more.  
I think of the movement, the swell and the breeze  
And the freedom of life as a fisherman.