

# Caro Mio Ben

(Come once again)

Attrib. to Giuseppe Giordano

1748–1798

Larghetto.

The musical score consists of three staves of music. The top staff is for the soprano voice, the middle staff for the basso continuo, and the bottom staff for the bassoon. The key signature is one sharp (F# major), and the time signature is common time. The vocal line begins with a short rest followed by a melodic line. The basso continuo and bassoon provide harmonic support with sustained notes and chords. The lyrics are written in both Italian and English, appearing below the corresponding musical phrases. The vocal line continues with more melodic lines, accompanied by the basso continuo and bassoon. The score concludes with a final section featuring a forte dynamic (f) and a melodic line for the soprano, with the bassoon providing harmonic support.

Ca- ro mio ben cre- di mi al-  
Come once a- gain, joy of my

largamente

6  
men sen-za di te lan-gui-sce il cor.  
heart, I can-not live If we must part.

Ca- ro mio ben sen-za di te lan-gui-sce il  
Come once a- gain, I can-not live if we must

12  
cor.  
part

Il tuo fe- del so-spir-a o- gnor ces- sa cru-  
I am thine own, All love for you, To thee a -

17 

del tan- to ri-\_\_ gor Ces- sa cru-del tan- to ri- gor, tan- to ri- gor. Car- ro mio  
lone faith-ful and true, To thee a- lone faithful and true, \_faith-ful and true. Come once a-

ben cre- di- mi al-men sen- za di te lan- Gui- sce il cor. Ca- ro mio ben cre- di- mi al-  
gain, joy of my heart, I can- not live if we must part come once a- gain joy of my

men sen- za di te lan- Gui- sce il cor.  
heart I can- not live if we must part.