Nick Cave, The Sorrowful Wife

Cave Nick Miscellaneous The Sorrowful Wife I married my wife on the day of the eclipse Our friends awarded her courage with gifts Now as the nights grow longer and the season shifts I look to my sorrowful wife Who is quietly tending her flowers Who is quietly tending her

The water is high on the beckoning river I made her a promise I could not deliver And the cry of the birds sends a terrible shiver Through me and my sorrowful wife Who is shifting the furniture around Who is shifting the furniture around

Now we sit beneath the knotted Yew And the bluebells bob around our shoes The task of remembering the telltale clues Goes to my lovely, my sorrowful wife Who is counting the days on her fingers

Who is counting the days on her Come on and help me babe Come on now Help me babe I was blind The grass here grows long and high Twists right up to the sky White clouds roll on by Come on now and help me babe I was blind I was a fool babe I was blind Come on now A loose wind last night blew down Black trees bent to the ground Their blossoms made such a sound That I could not hear myself think babe Come on now And help me babe Help me now I was blind I was a fool