

Thought for the day – Friday 25th November 2022

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Sounding the Seasons St Mary Magdalene

Malcolm Guite meditates on Mary.

Men called you light so as to load you down,
And burden you with their own weight of sin,
A woman forced to cover and contain
Those seven devils sent by Everyman.
One man knew and loved you to the core.
The broken alabaster of your heart
Revealed to him alone a hidden door
Into a garden where the fountain sealed,
Could flow at last for him in healing tears,
Till in another garden, he revealed
The perfect love that cast out all your fears
And quickened you with love's own sway and swing,
As light and lovely as the news you bring.

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There are many Marys in the Bible, they have much to teach us.