East St Oneill Animals That Swim

Intro: F#m A F#m A Bm A

F#m A

Someone got shot dead round here.

F#m A Bm D

People left flowers by the Ribena stains on the pavement.

F#m D A Bm D

Friends, neighbours, strangers.

F#m A F#m

A million blooms, one day dusty, the next wet and ragged.

A Bm I

So, guess what? I took them all home with me

F#m D A Bm D

in a wheelbarrow and filled the bathroom from floor to ceiling, and listen,

F#m A

there was no devine damnation

F#m A

no cosmic retribution.

Bm D F#m

Once the petals wilted, I pressed them all flat in the largest book I ve got.

D A Bm D F#m Bm A F#m

On wet days, the ghost sits in the kitchen leafing through it.

Bm A F#m

He s not grey or wraith-like,

Bm A F#m Bm A F#m

but bright and solid,

Bm A F#m

like a new bike.

D A Bm D F#m

Looks at the faded colours and plays the radio too loud,

D A Bm D

and makes a damn mess of fag butts and tea leaves.

Outro: F#m D A Bm D x 3