

Ordinary Man  
Christy Moore

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Dan is the Ordinary Man!!

Chords:

**F#** - 133211 or xx3211  
**G#** - 355433 or 320033  
**Bbm** - 577555 or x02210  
**C#** - x35553 or x32010  
**F** - x79997 or 022100

[Intro]

**F# G# Bbm** (x3)

[Verse 1]

**Bbm** **G#** **F#** **Bbm**  
Iâ€™m an ordinary man, nothing special, nothing grand  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
Iâ€™ve had to work for everything I own  
**Bbm** **G#** **F#** **Bbm**  
I never asked for a lot, I was happy with what I got  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
Enough to keep my family and my home

**F#** **G#** **Bbm** **F#**  
Now they say that times are hard and theyâ€™ve handed me my cards  
**F#** **F**  
They say thereâ€™s not the work to go around  
**Bbm** **G#** **F#** **Bbm**  
And when the whistle blows, the gates will finally close  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
Tonight theyâ€™re going to shut this factory down  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
And theyâ€™ll tare it d-o-w-n

[Bridge]

**F# G# Bbm**

[Verse 2]

**Bbm**                      **G#**                      **F#**                      **Bbm**  
I never missed a day, nor went on strike for better pay  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**  
For 20 years I served them best I could  
**Bbm**                      **G#**                      **F#**                      **Bbm**  
Now with a handshake and a cheque it seems so easy to forget  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**  
Loyalty through the bad times and through good  
  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**                      **F#**  
The owner says heâ€™s sad to see that things have got so bad  
**F#**                      **F**  
But the captains of industry wont let him lose  
**Bbm**                      **G#**                      **F#**                      **Bbm**  
He still drives a car and smokes his cigar  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**                      **F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**  
And still takes his family on a cruise, heâ€™ll never lose

[Instrumental]

**F#**    **G#**    **Bbm**

[Verse 3]

**Bbm**                      **G#**                      **F#**                      **Bbm**  
Now it seems to me such a cruel irony  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**  
Heâ€™s richer now than ever he was before  
**Bbm**                      **G#**                      **F#**                      **Bbm**  
Now my check is spent and I cant afford the rent  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**  
Thereâ€™s one law for the rich, one for the poor  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **C#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**  
Every day Iâ€™ve tried to salvage some of my pride  
**F#**                      **F**  
To find some work soâ€™s I might pay my way  
**Bbm**                      **G#**                      **F#**                      **Bbm**  
Oh but everywhere I go, the answers always no  
**F#**                      **G#**                      **Bbm**  
Thereâ€™s no work for anyone here today  
**F#**    **G#**    **Bbm**  
No work t-o-~~Eb~~-~~Bb~~-y

[Instrumental]

**F#**    **G#**    **Bbm**

[Verse 4]

**Bbm** **G#** **F#** **Bbm**  
And so condemned I stand, just an ordinary man  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
Like thousands beside me in the queue  
**Bbm** **G#** **F#** **Bbm**  
I watch my darling wife trying to make the best of life  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
And God knows what the kids are going to do  
**F#** **G#** **C#** **Bbm** **F#**  
Now that we are faced with this human waste  
**F#** **F**  
A generation cast aside  
**Bbm** **G#** **F#** **Bbm**  
As long as I live, I never will forgive,  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm** **F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
Youâ€™ve stripped me of my dignity and pride, you stripped me bare  
**F#** **G#** **Bbm** **F#** **G#** **Bbm**  
Youâ€™ve stripped me bare, youâ€™ve stripped me bare.

[Instrumental] (Until End)

**F#** **G#** **Bbm** (x6)