

**The Last Ship**  
**Sting**

This is more or less my first tabbed song. So suggestions are very welcome. For the Picking rythm and the **C7 D7 E7** and **F#7** you have to play some variations. just listen to the song.

Intro: **Em** 8x

Versel:

**Em**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**  
It s all there in the gospels, the Magdalene girl  
**E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **C**                **D**  
Comes to pay her respects, but her mind is awhirl.  
**Em**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**  
When she finds the tomb empty, the stone had been rolled,  
**E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **C**                **D**  
Not a sign of a corpse in the dark and the cold.  
**C7**  
When she reaches the door, sees an unholy sight,  
**D7**  
There s this solitary figure in a halo of light.  
**E7**  
He just carries on floating past Calvary Hill,  
**F#7**  
In an almighty hurry, aye but she might catch him still.

Verse2:

**Em**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**  
Tell me where are ye going Lord, and why in such haste?  
**E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **C**                **D**  
Now don t hinder me woman, I ve no time to waste!  
**Em**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**  
For they re launching a boat on the morrow at noon,  
**E7sus4/G**        **D7sus**            **C**                **D**  
And I have to be there before daybreak.  
**C7**  
Oh I canna be missing, the lads ll expect me,  
**D7**  
Why else would the good Lord himself resurrect me?  
**E7**  
For nothing will stop me, I have to prevail,

**F#7**

Through the teeth of this tempest, in the mouth of a gale,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

May the angels protect me if all else should fail,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

When the last ship sails.

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

Oh the roar of the chains and the cracking of timbers,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

The noise at the end of the world in your ears,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

As a mountain of steel makes its way to the sea,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

And the last ship sails..

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

It s a strange kind of beauty, It s cold and austere,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

And whatever it was that ye ve done to be here,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

It s the sum of yr hopes yr despairs and yr fears,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

When the last ship sails.

*Bridge:*

**C7**

Well the first to arrive saw these signs in the east,

**D7**

Like that strange moving finger at Balthazar s Feast,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

Where they asked the advice of some wandering priest,

**E7sus4/G D7sus C D**

And the sad ghosts of men whom they d thought long deceased,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

And whatever got said, they d be counted at least,

**Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus**

When the last ship sails.

Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
Oh the roar of the chains and the cracking of timbers,  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
The noise at the end of the world in your ears,  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
As a mountain of steel makes its way to the sea,  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
And the last ship sails..  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
And whatever you d promised, whatever you ve done,  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
And whatever the station in life you ve become.  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son,  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
And whatever the weave of this life that you ve spun,  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
On the Earth or in Heaven or under the Sun,  
Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
When the last ship sails.

Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
Ohhh the last ship sails.

Em E7sus4/G D7sus E7sus4/G D7sus  
Ohhh the last ship sails.