

Serenade Of The Bells

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A F#m Fdim D
In the sleepy town of San Jua - ni - ta,

E Bm7-5 E Cdim A C#m7-5
There's a story that a padre tells,

F#7 Edim F#7 Edim Bm
Of a gay senor and sen - o - ri - ta,

Bm7-5 A F#m D9 E7 A D9 E7
And the ser - e - nade of the bells.

A F#m Fdim D
Seems they asked the padre for per - mis - sion

E Bm7-5 E Cdim A
To be married early in the spring,

F#7 Edim F#7 Edim Bm
But their folks had made just one condition

Bm7-5 A F#m D9 E7 A
That the mission bells had to ring.

E Bm7-5 E7 Fdim A
Ev' - ry - one knew the bells were bro - ken,

Edim D9 E7/6 E7 A
And hadn't sounded for a long, long time.

C#7 C#7/G# Fdim(III) C#7 F#m
Then one night the vil - lage was astounded

Bm7-5 E B7 E
For the bells began to chime!

A F#m Fdim D
Still the bells are broken, goes the sto - ry

E Bm7-5 E Cdim A
But if in your heart a true love dwells

F#7 Edim F#7 Edim Bm
They will ring for you in all their glory,

Bm7-5 A F#m D9 E7 A
That's the ser - e - nade of the bells.