

## Silent Vows

**Monk** – Male, any age but should be similar in age to Nun.

**Nun** – Female, any age.

A park bench in summer, any time. Park sound effects, birds, leaves etc.

The following meeting should be taken slow, without dragging, and in a general air of serenity.

*(Monk is sitting alone in the centre of the park bench, eyes closed, contemplating, enjoying the warm sun on his face. He is very calm.)*

**Monk:** *(Opens his eyes, looks to the sky and smiles, closes his eyes.)*

**Nun:** *(Enters, walks slowly towards the bench. Stops and waits.)*

**Monk:** *(Remains seated, eyes closed.)*

**Nun:** *(Steps into Monks light so he appears to be in Nuns shadow from the sun.)*

**Monk:** *(Slowly becomes aware the sun has gone in, opens one eye to see Nun, smiles, opens his other eye.)*

**Nun:** *(Steps to one side, smiles down at Monk.)*

**Monk:** *(Smiles in return, gently shuffles to one side of the bench.)*

**Nun:** *(Smiles, nods slightly and sits down next to Monk, leaving a respectful gap.)*

**Monk:** *(Looks to Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Looks back, slightly)*

**Monk:** *(Lifts his head up slightly, closes his eyes.)*

**Nun:** *(Gently shakes her head. Closes her eyes.)*

**Monk:** *(opens one eye slowly to look at Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Breathes in deeply, her shoulders raise and fall.)*

**Monk:** *(Opens both eyes, still looking at Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Lifts her head so her face is in the sun.)*

**Monk:** *(Smiles at Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Turns her head, opens her eyes and smiles back at Monk.)*

**Monk:** *(Puts his finger to his lips and 'zips' them.)*

**Nun:** *(Nods gently. Raises her eyebrows.)*

**Monk:** *(Nods gently in agreement.)*

**Nun and Monk:** *(Look forward and serenely smile.)*

**Nun:** *(Reaches down to her bag and removes a flask.)*

**Monk:** *(Watches Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Takes off cup-lid of flask which reveals a smaller cup.)*

**Monk:** *(Smiles.)*

**Nun:** *(Offers cup to Monk.)*

**Monk:** *(Accepts cup with a gracious smile.)*

**Nun:** *(Pours some tea or coffee into Monks cup.)*

**Monk:** *(Nods appreciation.)*

**Nun:** *(Pours tea or coffee into her cup.)*

**Monk:** *(Looks around, checking.)*

**Nun:** *(Looks around checking, nods.)*

**Monk:** *(Reveals a small hip flask, opens it and pours a dram of whiskey into each cup.)*

**Nun:** *(smiles.)*

**Nun and Monk:** *(hold their mugs up to touch.)*

**Monk:** *(Takes a sip, swallows and smiles.)*

**Nun:** *(Takes a sip, swallows and smiles.)*

**Nun and Monk:** *(Both drink, smiling serenely, looking around them until they finish.)*

**Monk:** *(Hands cup back to Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Takes cup from Monk, their hands touch briefly. Nun stops smiling but not unhappily. Nun packs away cups and flask back into her bag.)*

**Monk:** *(Shuffles slightly closer to Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Shuffles slightly closer to Nun.)*

**Monk and Nun:** *(Both look around, checking.)*

**Nun:** *(Gently bites her lip, sexily.)*

**Monk:** *(Looks to Nun.)*

**Nun:** *(Looks to Monk.)*

**Monk:** *(Suddenly puts his hands around Nuns head, pulls her close and they kiss passionately for five seconds before rapidly pulling away and sitting forward.)*

**Nun:** *(Looks around. Takes a deep breath. Stands up collecting her bag and walks off in the opposite direction from where she came.)*

**Monk:** *(Sits back, closes his eyes, smiles broadly.)*

**The End.**

\*\*\*Note from Author: This play is written in light hearted fun. It is certainly not my intention to offend any religion or belief.