I'm calling you from somewhere in London It's been a while since I've been back home I'm imagining you and dad dancing And I'm asking how you are because I really wanna know Maybe it's a little overdue Maybe I just haven't found the time It's hard to write a song for somebody that means as much as you But in the words of Bobby Dylan "mama you been on my mind" Cuz you were always there when the bastards got me down When they took all my possessions and they ran me out of town You sang me through the good times and you prayed me through the worst I've seen a lot of angels but you'll always be the first What a world I'd be walking through If every boy like me had a mother like you

I miss the subtle way you clear your throat I miss the way you prolong every pointless anecdote I miss the stubborn faith you have that things'll work out fine And the brutally slow pace at which you make me drink my wine I miss the optimism in your eye I miss the downtown coffee that you never let me buy I miss the way you shoot your famous disapproving look I even miss the ruined meals you're so afraid to undercook

Cuz you were always there when the bastards got me down When I climbed out of the pit and there was no one else around You sang me through the good times and you prayed me through bad You gave me any little sense of right and wrong I had What a world I would wake up to If every boy like me had a mother like you

And I'm sorry if I hurt you, or if I did bad things I'm sorry for the pain I can only imagine being a mother brings Thank you for the job you did of raising such a gent And for bailing me out every time I'm just shy of the rent

Cuz you were always there when the bastards got me down And it felt like the world was happy just to let me drown You sang me through the summer and you prayed me through the storm Your arms were there to die in from the moment I was born What a world I'd be walking through What a world this would be it's true If every single boy had a mother like you