Michael O'Reilly, he's a desperate man
Fighting for his liberty
Michael O'Reilly, he's a dangerous man
Fighting for his family
But Michael O'Reilly, he's a peaceful man
He's not a man too shy
Michael O'Reilly, he believes in life
So he's not afraid to die

Hey, hey, hey, don't be sad today
The people always win in the end
There'll come a day the guns rust away
And Ireland will be free again

Michael O'Reilly truly loves this land
He loves it with his heart and soul
To his family, he's a patriot
A rebel by the lie he's called
There's only so far you beat a dog
Before he turns around to bite
There's only so long you'll abuse a man
Before he stands up to fight

Hey, hey, hey, don't be sad today
The people always win in the end
There'll come a day the guns rust away
And Ireland will be free again
Hey, hey, hey don't be sad today
The people always win in the end
There'll come a day when guns rust away
And Ireland will be free again

Hey, hey, hey, don't be sad today
The people always win in the end
There'll come a day the guns rust away
And Ireland will be free again
Hey, hey, hey, don't be sad today
The people always win in the end
There'll come a day the guns rust away
And Ireland will be free again

(Sing it)
Hey, hey, hey
Hey, there'll come a day