SICKDAY

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INT. BATHROOM - DAY

JANINE, 50s, in nightdress, hair bedraggled, hugs the toilet bowl like its her last hope. She vomits.

JANINE

Uuuughoooo...

She wipes her mouth with toilet paper. A man's voice permeates from outside.

JT (0.S.)

Ye want a cup of tea my love, my heaving honey? A fried egg, eh?

Janine looks into the toilet bowl, recoils.

JANINE

Nope!

He chuckles. She hits the flush.

INT. KITCHEN - DAY

JT 50s, thick set, jolly faced, ticks off football pools at the table, the remains of a fried breakfast by his elbow.

Janine enters. In dressing gown, hair up, shuffles to the sink for a glass of water, slides into a chair.

JT beams at her, makes an exaggerated gesture.

JT

Well, look at the goddess! I married a true beauty, such a perfect green complexion.

JANINE

Shut up you fool. It was a good night though, eh? Have you heard from our Jimmy?

She glances to the nerby counter, stretches to grab her phone. Reading the screen she cackles.

JANINE (CONT'D)

He's texted this. 'CANT GET HOLD OF YOU. HOPE THIS REACHES BEFORE THE WORLD ENDS.' Teeheehee, so dramatic! 'SHARON & I AT HOME TOGETHER, WE LOVE YOU. MAY WE ALL DIE PEACEFULY.' Hehe, he must be well hungover too. Oh dearie!

JT's laugh joins Janine's.

JΤ

What a family! Shirkers, alcoholics and dramatists all!

JANINE

Although I noticed Sharon wasn't drinking last night.

She nods knowingly at JT.

JANINE (CONT'D)

I think she's pregnant. I'm sure of it.

JΤ

Not everybody drinks to excess all the time my prodigiously puking princess. A fine grannie you'd make with your head down' the toilet bowl.

She grins at him.

JANINE

I tell you what, I thought the world was going to end in that bathroom there for a minute. It was grim. I felt really rough.

JT stands, flicks on the kettle, then wraps his arms around Janine's seated form. Plants kisses on her till she squirms.

JT

If it were really the end of the world it would be my pleasure to hold back your hair and watch you puke your glorious guts up my love.

JANINE

Oh God! Don't make me laugh, it hurts my poor stomach. I think I will have that fried egg now.

FADE OUT.