

A POEM FOR THIS MONTH

A Farmer's Prayer

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NOW, dear Lord, to Thee
 I kneel,
 At Thy feet bring my ap-
 peal;
 Grant us more and more of
 rain,
 Soak the fields that bear
 our grain.

Give us rain, O Lord most
 wise,
 Send us show'rs from out
 the skies;
 Drench the earth baked hard
 as stone,
 Barren earth where sun has
 shown.

We our grains must sow and
 till,
 Rice and corn from vale and
 hill;
 Beasts of burden help us to
 toil—
 Send us rain and flood the
 soil.

Let it rain, Lord bless'd of
 all,
 Make the plants grow green
 and tall;
 Make our grains turn into
 gold—
 Then, Lord, thanks a hundred
 fold.
 Amen.

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