

Jesus of Mexborough

He came out of the wilderness
with nothing on his feet.
He came out of the wilderness
to walk the shuttered street.

After forty days of fasting
he ate till he was full
and slaked his thirst by downing
a few pints at the Bull.

He pushed against the pit-wheel
and tried to make it turn.
He said to the school children
There's much you should unlearn.

He went into the car park
and tore the pay pint down.
He said *All parking should be free
here in your own hometown.*

He went into the parish church
and threw the hymnbooks out.
I'll come back in judgement
Is what they heard him shout.

Get up from your knees he said.