

# Prayer Poems

Poetic Reflections for Sundays and Feastsdays  
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## What About You?

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*“Jesus then said to the Twelve, ‘Do you also want to leave?’”*  
(John 6:67)

### What About You?

Day by day, week by week, month by month, year by year,  
routines and rut living leave little choice.  
We live and move and have our being in robot land.

At some point in our living, logic creates an unsure puzzle;  
Pieces don't fit.  
A choice must be made.  
We have to stop, think, weigh options, then make the right choice.

*“Do you also want to leave?”*

## About Sr. Juliemarie McDonald, SND

Sister Juliemarie McDonald joined the Sisters of Notre Dame of Chardon, Ohio in 1951. She holds an MA in English Studies from John Carroll University MA in Scripture from St. Charles Seminary. After 32 years of teaching classes ranging from first grade to college level, she then became a researcher, campus minister, director of religious education and a pastoral minister in Mease Hospital in Dunedin, Florida. In her semi-retirement, Sister Juliemarie writes reflections and faith sharing sessions for the young sisters in formation in Africa, Philippines, Korea, India and the USA. Her spare time is spent as a crafter.



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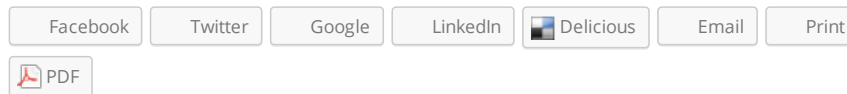
Will we be Peter or an unbelieving disciple?  
May we follow in the footsteps of the Twelve.  
May we continue to follow our Good Shepherd  
    As we journey through green pastures,  
                    through rocky ravines,  
                    or dry deserts.

Believe that we shall never find a more trustworthy Guide.  
I'm staying.  
What about you?

### For Reflection and Sharing:

1. Why did some of the disciples decide to leave Jesus?
2. What things might tempt us from following the Good Shepherd?
3. Which virtue do you need most to make the decision to follow?
4. Why is the Sacrament of Reconciliation a powerful tool in our faith journey?

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**Sr. Helen Chasar** August 23, 2012 at 8:46 am 

Dear Sr. Juliemarie,  
Thank you for your inspirational Prayer Poems. God bless you!  
Love and prayers,  
Sr. Helen

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