An Ode to the Shamrock Shake

You're green and sweet and such a dream

Far, far exceeding plain ice cream.

With minty sweetness in each sip,

You bring sheer joy to every lip.

With whipped cream top—green sprinkles, too—

You are, indeed, a stunning brew.

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Your green cascades from dark to light,

Within the see-through cup so tight.

From whence could come such dazzling taste?

Nutrition facts we've never traced,

But you slide down with velvet sheen,

So smooth, so pure, so emerald green.

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Corned beef and cabbage have their hold

On Patrick's feast, so we've been told,

But you, o shake of shamrock fame,

Upon the season lay your claim.

You're hard to find; not every store

Is ready with green shakes to pour.

"Machine is down." "It's being cleaned."

You growl and grumble like a fiend

Who longs for just one Shamrock Shake.

You pine for it until you ache.

You'll drive for miles to reach your prize,

Forgoing burgers, nuggets, fries,

For like a rainbow's pot of gold,

A Shamrock Shake you long to hold.