O Holy Spirit, Keep Your Children in Your Care
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1 O Holy Spirit, keep your children in your care,
For there’s a lion who would all their souls ensnare.
Your sheep are helpless, but for your protecting arm.
Lord, have mercy on your lambs; keep your children safe from harm.

2 The battle rages ‘tween the Adam and the new.
Your light is challenged, and the dark of flesh creeps through.
Yet you have promised to complete this work begun.
We commend them to your care, to the vict’ry Jesus won.

3 The tasks of parents and of teachers quickly end.
We sow the seed, but faith and life on you depend.
O raise a harvest from this seed that has now been sown.
Let their praises rise to you, unto you and you alone.

4 O Holy Spirit, keep your children in your care.
We pray not for the things that soon will disappear.
We give you thanks if wealth or happiness you give,
But above all grant them faith, that through Jesus they may live.

TUNE: none suggested

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