

# Brigid/Imbolc - Purification, Healing & Protection

*Saturday, February 2, 2020*

*Waxing crescent Moon in Taurus*

*New beginnings stir*

*Prior to the ritual the area is swept (deosil) clear of negative energies with a sacred besom and the four walls, the ceiling and floor touched with purification oil.*

*The West altar is prepared with the Four Elements and purification oil. Each person has a white candle to light from Brigid's flame. There is a chair for Brigid's priestess close at hand.*

*We tone the sounds for aligning and clearing our chakras. Led by Mark, we construct a veil of rainbow lights energized from our own chakras.*

**I. The Circle is Cast** - Betsy casts the Circle by invoking the elements in the Mutable Aspect (30° widdershins of the compass point) while we wait outside the entrance to the rainbow veil.

**II. Passing the Rainbow Veil** - We join hands and draw each other into the circle, passing through the Rainbow Veil. Only that which is truly of the self may pass. Move deosil until all are within the circle.

**III. Statement of Intent** - Chrionna states the meaning of Brigid to us here today.

**IV. We Open the Holly Chalice**

**V. Brigid is Invoked** - We invoke Brigid (aspected by Leanne) and welcome her with a chant. As the chant rises, Brigid's candles are lit on the West altar

*Brid is Come, Brid is Welcome,  
Oh Welcome Brid*

Brigid tells a story of her healing power, the return of the Light, and of protection. The Brigid Flame is lit at Her Altar (West) with all chanting

*Holy Well and Sacred Flame  
Maiden Mother and Crone  
Bright One Be Here  
Bright One Be Here*

VI. **Cleansing and Protection** - Brigid brings each one to the Altar, and bids them to be cleansed by Air, Fire, Water and Earth. Each is anointed with purification oil (Spirit). After cleansing, Brigid bids them say, aloud or silently, a wish for healing or protection. We then light our white candle from Her flame.

VII. **Raising Energy** - After anointing the Chalice with the Four Elements and Spirit, Brigid places it on the West Altar. We raise energy by chanting:

*We are the weavers, we are the web  
We are the flow and we are the ebb*

We direct the energy into the Chalice, filling it with blue light. When the Chalice is filled, Brigid takes the Chalice from the Altar and walks from person to person, holding it over their heads and bathes them in the healing energy. Brigid dips a green wand in a bowl of water from the sacred Brigid Well and sprinkles all within the circle with her blessing.

VIII. **Cakes and Ale** - We turn the Wheel of the Year deosil while chanting:

*Holy Earth Mother  
Flesh of the World  
Quicken and Kindle  
With the Seeds of Birth*

We ground the energy raised into the cakes and ale. Stacey and Howard ask for the blessing. All partake!

IX. **We thank Brigid** for her presence and ask that her light remain with us.

X. **The Circle is Opened** - Betsy dismisses Quarters in the Cardinal Aspect.

*The Circle is Open, But Unbroken! Merry Meet, Merry Part, and Merry Meet Again!*