

SAINT BRIGID



The Story of Brigid

- Brigid was born at a time of major transition in 5th century Ireland. She embodies in herself the pre-Christian Celtic and Christian Celtic spirit. It is generally accepted that St Brigid built her double monastery for men and women in Kildare around 470 AD.
- Some scholars credit Brigid with pioneering monastic life in Ireland. Her monastery was acclaimed as a centre of education, pilgrimage, worship and hospitality until the 16th century when all the monasteries were suppressed.
- <https://solasbhríde.ie/the-story-of-brigid/>



St. Brigid's
Day,
celebrated on
1 February will
be marked by
our new
national
holiday on
Monday,
6 February.

How to make a St Brigid's Cross

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bq0ci42PnLc>



We Sing a Song to Brigid (Alive-O)

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yqs7lcZvSA8&t=15s>

We sing a song to Brigid,
Brigid brings the spring
Awakens all the fields and the flowers
And calls the birds to sing.

All were welcome at her door, no one
was turned away. She loved the poor,
the sick and the sore,
She helped them on their way.

She laid her cloak out on the ground
And watched it grow and grow,
In wells and streams and fields of
green St. Brigid's blessings flow.

Legend of St. Brigid's Cloak



- <https://brigidine.org.au/about-us/our-patroness/legend-of-st-brigids-cloak/>

Prayer to St. Saint Brigid

You were a woman of peace.
You brought harmony where there was
conflict.
You brought light to the darkness.
You brought hope to the downcast.
May the mantle of your peace
cover those who are troubled and anxious,
and may peace be firmly rooted in our hearts
and in our world.
Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all
God has made.
Brigid you were a voice for the wounded and
the weary.
Strengthen what is weak within us.
Calm us into a quietness that heals and
listens.
May we grow each day into greater
wholeness in mind, body and spirit.
Amen



St Brigid's Blessing



May Brigid bless the house
wherein you dwell

Bless every fireside every
wall and door

Bless every heart that beats
beneath its roof

Bless every hand that toils to
bring it joy

Bless every foot that walks
its portals through

May Brigid bless the house
that shelters you.



Hymn to St Brigid: Dearc Anuas

Dearc anuas, féach mar táimid;
A naoimh álainn, féach sinn.
Feacamid ár nglún id láthair;
Dearc mar mháthair ar do chlainn.
Cuidigh linn, a mháthair aoibhinn;
Bí a choíche ag éisteacht linn.
A Naoimh Bríd, a chéile Chríosta,
Mar an fhaoileann ar an toinn.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eJn8PrXKSok>

Aoife Ní Fhearraigh -
Gabhaim Molta
Bríghde (I Give Praise
to Saint Brigid).



- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tP5FS6IXJJA>

February 2023

1st Feb

Saint Brigid of Kildare,
abbess

2nd Feb

The Presentation of
the Lord

3rd Feb

Saint Blaise

8th Feb

International Day of
Prayer and Awareness
against Human Trafficking

11th Feb

Friday Our Lady of
Lourdes

14th Feb

Saint Valentine

20th Feb

World Day of Social
Justice

22nd Feb

Ash Wednesday

World Day of the Sick

Lay your hands gently upon us
Let their touch bring your peace

St Valentine's Day

- See also <https://www.whitefriarstreetchurch.com/index.php/the-church/shrines/saint-valentine>





Love always protects,
always trusts, always hopes,
always perseveres.

Love is patient, love is
kind.

It does not envy, it does
not boast,

it is not proud.

It does not dishonour
others,

it is not self-seeking,

Love is patient, love is
kind.

From 1 Cor 13: 4-7

SEE SLIDES FOR LENT 2023

