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## Imbolg - Brid (Bridghid) Welcoming Ritual

This ritual is in two parts - you can choose to either do the whole thing on the 1st, or spread it over the 1st and 2nd of Feb (or August in the SH).

Both Ian and myself have been practising this beautiful ritual for a few years now and I absolutely love it! We add other bits in as well, but this is how we kick off our Imbolg ceremony:) BFSW

## You will need...

Yourself and any others who wish to participate

A (white or light blue or beeswax) candle (anoint with a Brid appropriate oil)

A mirrored candle holder which reflects the candlelight

- ★ Make your home inviting by giving it the once-over...a light spring clean :)
- At dusk, open the front door and say words such as "Welcome Brid, Brid is come, Brid is Welcome. The bride has come! The bride is welcome! Goddess Brid, this is your day, I (we) welcome you to our home, beloved guest! Brightest Blessings Brid!"
- ★ We then like to make our way to the kitchen (Hearth), where the candle and holder have been set up. We then walk the house (up to 3 times) using the reflection of the lit candle to light even the dark corners of our home you can go deosil or widdershins around your home...kinda depends on the Moon phase at the time...you can adjust the wording to tap the lunar phase too
- As you walk, repeat these words (or compile your own)..."Great Goddess

  Brid...Keeper of the flame, I (we) ask that you bless this candle. May it be a sign
  of your presence and power, clearing away all negative energies on this day"
- ★ You can set a place at the dinner table in honour of Brid, we also like to leave

some cashew/almond milk by the front door (outside), sweetened with coconut blossom honey/syrup

Something else we do is have a 'bride doll'...a corn dolly to represent Brid, in a 'bed' next to our hearth (we have an old fireplace which is no longer used) and set up our altar to Brid there...which is where we focus part two of the ritual!

## You will need:

Three candles of roughly the same size. On these three candles inscribe the words INSPIRATION...HEALING...HEARTH

This can be done in your native language...or in runes of your choice. Then anoint the candles (from the wick downwards (incoming)) in a deosil direction, with a Brid appropriate oil.

This is really all you need, but you can add whatever you wish to the altar:)
You can choose to cast a circle for the ritual, or not...it is entirely up to you.

- ★ Cast a circle in your usual way and call in the Elementals if you wish to.
- ★ Do your grounding practice in whichever way you do this.
- ★ Call on Brid using the words from the initial part of the ritual, or use your own and present any offerings you have for Brid.
- ★ Before and as you light the candles, use these words..."Great Brid, she who is three, we call upon you to bless these candles and bless us. By the light that they bring, may the sacred gifts of INSPIRATION, HEALING & HEARTH come to us! And it is so, thank you, Adastra (which means 'to the stars!')
- ★ You can then do a **Guided Meditation**
- ★ Grounding
- ★ Thanks, devoke and close











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