



Daily Prayer – All Souls

Druid in the Hills Breviary

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Approach and Invocation

Brothers and sisters, + our help is in the name of the Eternal God,
Who is making the heavens and the earth.

Glory to God, The Three-In-One, The One-In-Three,
Now and ever and unto Ages of Ages. Amen, Alleluia.

We arise today though a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,
Through belief in the Threeness, through confession of the oneness
Of the Creator of creation.

Call for Peace

Deep within the still center of my being, may I find peace.

{PAUSE}

Silently within the quiet of the grove, may I share peace.

[PAUSE]

Gently within the greater circle of all creation, may I radiate peace.

]PAUSE]

Through the Strength of heaven,

Light of Sun,

Radiance of Moon,

Splendor of Fire,

Speed of Lightning,

Swiftness of Wind,

Depth of Sea,

Stability of Earth,

Firmness of Rock-

May there be peace in the North and the South, in the West and the East,
May there be Peace in the Land, in the Sea, and in the Sky.
May there be Peace through all the world.

The Druid Prayer (Everyone)

Grant, O God, your Protection;
And in protection, strength;
And in strength, understanding;
And in understanding, knowledge;
And in knowledge, the knowledge of justice;
And in the knowledge of justice, the love of it;
And in that love, the love of all existences;
And in the love of all existences,
the love of Creator God, Christ God, and Spirit God,
Mary our mother, all the angels and saints,
All of creation that sustains and nourishes us,
and all goodness.

--Adapted from Iolo Morganwg (attributed)

Song

A Chríost, mo Dhraoi! (AH KReest moe Ghree)	Líon mo chroí (Lee-un moe KRee)	Ah Christ, my Druid! Bless my heart.
Beannaigh mo chroí. (Bonnie moe KRee)	Le do ghrá (Leh duh Ghraw)	Ah Christ, my Druid! Open my heart.
A Chríost, mo Dhraoi! (AH KReest moe Ghree)	Le do ghrá (Leh duh Ghraw)	Ah Christ, my Druid! Fill my heart
Oscail mo chroí (Osskul moe KRee)	Le do ghrá dom (Leh duh Ghraw dum)	With your love, With your love, With your love for me.
A Chríost, mo Dhraoi! (AH KReest moe Ghree)		

-- Words by Cáit Finnegan-Grenier, based on St. Columba

A Chríost, mo Dhraoi!

O Christ, My Druid

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A_ Chríost, mo_ Dhraoi! A_ Chríost. mo Dhraoi! Bean - naigh, bean -
Os - cail, os -
Lí - on, lí -



naigh mo chroí. Bean -
cail mo chroí. A_ Chríost, mo_ Dhraoi! A_ Chríost. mo Dhraoi! Os -
on mo chroí. Lí -



naigh, Bean - naigh. mo chroí. A_
cail, os - cail mo chroí. A_ Le do ghrá, le do ghrá, le do
on, lí - on mo chroí.



ghrá, dom. le do ghrá, le do ghrá, dom.

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Invoking the Holy Spirit



In Druid thought and practice, Awen is seen as the spirit of inspiration, represented by the Goddess Cerridwen for many neo-Pagans. The Awen symbol (left) is three dots and three lines, often contained within a circle. The dots represent the three drops of the brew in Cerridwen's cauldron that splashed onto the hand of Gwion Bach, granting him wisdom and knowledge. The three lines, or rays, symbolize a myriad of concepts, depending on who you ask. In my own personal practice, I see Awen as the Holy Spirit. Many Druids begin rituals by chanting the word, "Awen" (AH-OO-WEN, drawing out each syllable).

Chanted on a single tone:

AWEN --- AWEN --- AWEN

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,
And kindle in us the fire of your love.

O God, send out your spirit,
And renew the face of the earth.

Eternal Spirit, flow through our being and open our lips
That our mouths may proclaim your praise.

The Word of God

Psalm 148

Ant. Praise God from the heavens, alleluia.

Praise YHWH from the heavens; *
praise GOD in the heights.

Praise GOD, all you angels of GOD; *
praise GOD, all GOD's host.

Praise GOD, sun and moon; *
praise GOD, all you shining stars.

Praise GOD, heaven of heavens, *
and you waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the Name of YHWH; *

for GOD commanded, and they were created.

GOD made them stand fast for ever and ever; *

GOD gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Praise YHWH from the earth, *

you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, *

tempestuous wind, doing GOD's will;

Mountains and all hills, *

fruit trees and all cedars

Wild beasts and all cattle, *

creeping things and wingèd birds;

Rulers of the earth and all peoples, *

governors and all judges of the world;

People of all genders, *

old and young together.

Let them praise the Name of YHWH, for GOD's Name only is exalted,

GOD's splendor is over earth and heaven.

GOD has raised up strength for their people

and praise for all their loyal servants, *

the children of Israel,

a people who are near GOD.

Glory to God, the Three-in-One, the One-in-Three, one holy and blessed Trinity, *

Now and ever and unto Ages of Age. Amen.

Ant. Praise God from the heavens, alleluia.

Reading from Scripture: Ezekiel 37:12-14

*Reader: Hear, now, the wisdom of God as revealed in sacred scripture.
A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.*

Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says YHWH: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am God, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, YHWH, have spoken and will act.”

*Reader: For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,*

Everyone: Thanks be to God.

Prayers

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us make our prayer in the power of the Spirit, looking to Jesus, the pioneer of our faith.

That with the noble fellowship of the prophets we may discern the signs of your realm in our midst. Loving God: **Hear our prayer.**

That with the glorious company of the apostles we may proclaim your Gospel throughout the world. Loving God: **Hear our prayer.**

That with the white-robed army of martyrs we may be ready to testify to the truth of your love. Merciful God: **Hear our prayer.**

That with all who are anointed by your Spirit we may bring good news to the poor and freedom to the oppressed. Loving God: **Hear our prayer.**

That with the saints in light we may bind up the brokenhearted and comfort all who mourn. Loving God: **Hear our prayer.**

That within the whole company of Christ’s pilgrim people we may come to the inheritance of the saints in glory. Loving God: **Hear our prayer.**

For those prayers we now offer aloud or in the silence of our hearts ... PAUSE ... Loving God:
Hear our prayer

In communion with all the saints let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God
this day as we pray together:

Our Father, ...

Closing Prayer

Everyone

Christ as a light illumine and guide me
Christ as a shield overshadow me
Christ under me, Christ over me
Christ beside me, on my left and my right
This day be within and without me
Lowly and meek, yet all powerful
Be in the heart of each to whom I speak
In the mouth of each who speaks unto me
This day be within and without me
Lowly and meek yet all powerful
Christ as a light, Christ as a shield
Christ beside me, on my left and my right.

✝ May the light of Jesu
shine ever brighter in our hearts,
that with all the saints in light
we may shine forth as lights in the world.
Thanks be to God.

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