

Imbolc 2013

Celebration of the Celtic Fire Festival of Imbolc

Saturday, February 2, 2013

9 AM - 7 PM
at Circle Sanctuary Nature Preserve near Barneveld, Wisconsin

Coordinated by Meghan Doran



Celebrate the Goddess Brigid and the Waxing Solar Year! Together, we will honor Brigid in her aspects as the Goddess of Poetry, Healing, and Smithing, and we honor her life-giving Sacred Waters.

IMBOLC FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

9:00 am	<p>Open for Arrivals and Circle of Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Owl's Nest will be open for shopping!
9:30 am - 3:00 pm	<p>Brigid, the Goddess of Poetry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come visit our community Imbolc altar and place an object there to receive magic and blessings throughout the day. Commune with Brigid the Goddess of Poetry and write one or two lines about Her or about healing blessings. Later, we will assemble all of those lines and create a poem written by all of us to be read in the ritual!
9:30 am	<p>Brigid the Healer:The Morning of Sacred Healing begins!</p> <p>Become acquainted with Brigid the Healer and receive some healing for yourself, send some healing to your loved ones and to the world, or hold space as others from your tribe receive healing.</p> <p><i>In the Temple Room:</i></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience the gift of healing with our very own community's healers! • Enjoy a short relaxation massage with our talented massage therapist, Christopher Braddy • Join talented artist, Colleen Koziara, and create a cleansing and healing work of art with your community • Experience the Japanese healing art of Reiki with our Reiki practitioners, Cheri Haram and Jodie Sirovy • Meditate with singing bowls • Try a variety of healing herbal teas at our meditation station and learn about the herbs' healing properties • Tie a prayer ribbon on our Healing Hoop <p><i>In the Summer Kitchen:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craft a beeswax candle for your altar • Make a Brigid's Cross for healing and blessings
12:30 pm	Snack Break
1:00 pm	<p>Brigid of Sacred Waters <i>with Selena Fox</i></p> <p>Since ancient times, Brigid has been a Goddess of Sacred Springs and Holy Wells. Learn about some of the sacred sites associated with Her and some ways of working with Her as Goddess of Sacred Waters for healing, wisdom, inspiration, and well-ness.</p> <p>Bring a small bowl to work with during this experiential workshop.</p>
2:30 pm	<p>Brigid as Goddess of Crafting <i>with Meghan Doran</i></p> <p>Explore your creativity with Brigid as Smithwoman and use metal wire to wire wrap a stone pendant of your very own! Stones and supplies will be provided.</p>
4:00 pm	<p>Imbolc Ritual and Burning of the Greens</p> <p>Bring your Yule Greens to burn in the Imbolc Fire.</p>
5:30 pm	<p>Brigid of the Sacred Fire & Goddess of Sacred Milk: Candlelight Irish Feast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enjoy a family style meal with your community. • Guinness Irish Stew and Potato Soup will be provided as well as Vegetable Stew for vegetarians/vegans – please bring some bread or a dessert to share.
7 pm	Cleanup and Departures

ITEMS TO BRING

- Yule wreaths, sprigs, boughs, besoms, for the Burning of the Yuletide greens at midday (*optional*)

- Small bowl to use in the Brigid of Sacred Waters workshop
- White candle in a votive candle holder or jar for the Brigid Altar during Ritual (*optional*)
- Jar with lid for collecting water from Brigid's Spring (*optional*)
- Drum or rattle, if you have one, to play in rituals (*optional*)
- Brigid images & symbols (*optional*) to be energized on the altar for later use at your home.
- Bread and snacks (crackers, cheese, veggies, dip, fruit) for midday snack (appreciated but *optional*).
- A contribution of breads and desserts for the Candlelight Irish Feast. Your dish should be already prepared, pre-sliced and ready to eat, since there will be no kitchen space available to do this.
- Wear something white or gold to the Brigid Ritual. (*optional*)

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