

# St. Brigid of Ireland

Born: 453 at Faughart, County Louth, Ireland  
Died: 1 February 523 at Kildare, Ireland

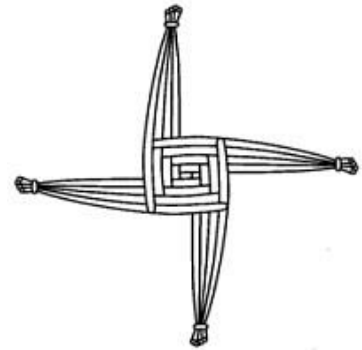
**Custom:** St Brigid's Cross

Brigid wove a cross of rushes by a dying chieftain's bed"  
"Brigid what is that you're making  
From the rushes there?", he said.  
Brigid said, "A cross I'm weaving, like the cross where Jesus died."  
"Who was Jesus?" asked the chieftain,  
"Why was this man crucified?"  
Brigid told the gospel story to a dying pagan King.  
Lying silently he listened,  
Never saying anything.  
Then he kissed the cross of rushes  
Saying, "Brigid, thanks to you,  
I have come to love this Jesus,  
I will follow his way too!"

**Prayer:**

I would like the angels of Heaven to be among us.  
I would like an abundance of peace.  
I would like full vessels of charity.  
I would like rich treasures of mercy.  
I would like cheerfulness to preside over all.  
I would like Jesus to be present.  
I would like the three Marys of illustrious renown to be with us.  
I would like the friends of Heaven to be gathered around us from all parts.  
I would like myself to be a rent payer to the Lord; that I should suffer distress, that he would bestow a good blessing upon me.  
I would like a great lake of beer for the King of Kings.  
**I would like to be watching Heaven's family drinking it through all eternity.**  
- *Saint Brigid*

**Why I chose St. Brigid:** She always took the opportunity to proclaim the Good news of Jesus.  
She was holy, but still had a sense of humor.



Name of Saint  
Date and place of  
birth/death

Picture  
Of  
Saint

Custom  
or legend  
about  
the  
Saint

A symbol  
of  
the Saint

A prayer  
by or to  
the Saint

Most important - tell WHY you chose the Saint.  
The Bishop will ask!

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