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Pray each day:

Most glorious St. Patrick, Apostle of Ireland,
God's instrument, for bringing us one true faith.

We pray you,
to implore Almighty God, to share with us again,
the unsearchable riches of Jesus Christ.

That he would enkindle in our
hearts the fire of His divine love.

That we would make His kingdom come in our hearts,
in our homes, and our communities,
through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen.



Novena Prayers per day

March 9th – **Christ be with me, Christ within me.**

Thank you God for my family and friends. Never let me forget that Jesus is also constantly with me as my friend and companion.

March 10th – **Christ before me, Christ behind me.**

God understands all of my past life with its bright and dark moments. As I look to the future may I never let Christ fade from view.

March 11th – **Christ beneath and Christ above.**

As times passes so many changes have left me confused and unsure. May I never forget that Christ the foundation of my life is the same yesterday, today and forever.

March 12th –

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand.

God came to live with us on this earth and so is present all around me. May I see his presence in the suffering and poverty of my brothers and sisters who surround me.

March 13th – **Christ with my waking, walking and sleeping.**

Every new day and every new night is a precious gift from God. Every morning and every night I want to thank you Lord for the gift of my life. May my days be holy and wholesome.

March 14th – **Christ in every heart thinking of me.**

There are so many conflicting message and messengers fighting to control our deepest emotions and desires. May Christ and his message find space in the hearts of all, especially our young people.



March 15th – Christ in every tongue speaking to me.

Modern technology has given us so many new ways of talking, very often just destructive ‘gossip’ as Pope Francis remarks. May we use our gifts of communication to build up the world, looking to Jesus the ‘Word’

March 16th – Christ in every eye that sees me.

So many of Jesus’ opponents looked at him to condemn and reject him. May we observe others people’s lives through the lens of compassion, mercy and understanding.

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March 17th – Christ in every ear that hears me.

For my well-being and protection today, I call on Our Lady, the Apostles, St. Patrick and all the saints of Ireland to be my inspiration and hope. When the Irish people heard St. Patrick they heard the voice of Christ. Help us to be Jesus’ messengers, and at the sound of our voice may our friends experience the love of Christ entering into their crowded lives.

St. Patrick’s Breastplate

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ beneath and Christ above,
Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left.
Christ with me waking, walking and sleeping.
Christ in every heart thinking of me.
Christ on every tongue speaking to me,
Christ in every eye that sees me.
Christ in every ear that hears me.

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