

Breastplate of St. Patrick (Modified)

I bind *N.* today to a strong virtue, an invocation of the Trinity. I believe in a Threeness, with confession of a Oneness in the Creator of the Universe.

I bind *N.* today to the virtue of Christ's birth with His baptism,
to the virtue of His crucifixion with His burial,
to the virtue of His resurrection with His ascension,
to the virtue of His coming to the Judgment of Doom.

I bind *N.* today to the virtue of ranks of Cherubim,
in obedience of Angels,
[in service of Archangels],
in hope of resurrection for reward,
in prayers of Patriarchs,
in preaching of Apostles,
in faiths of Confessors,
in innocence of Holy Virgins,
in deeds of righteous men.

I bind *N.* today to the virtue of Heaven,
in light of Sun,
in brightness of Snow,
in splendour of Fire,
in speed of Lightning,
in swiftiness of Wind,
in depth of Sea,
in stability of Earth,
in compactness of Rock.

I bind *N.* today to God's Virtue to pilot him/her,
God's might to uphold him/her,
God's wisdom to guide him/her,
God's eye to look before him/her,
God's ear to hear him/her,
God's Word to speak to him/her,
God's hand to guard him/her,
God's way to lie before him/her,
God's shield to protect him/her,
God's host to secure him/her,
Against snares of demons,
Against seductions of vices,
Against lusts of nature,
Against everyone who wishes ill to him/her,
Afar and anear,
Alone and in a multitude.

So have I invoked all these virtues between *N.*
Against every cruel, merciless power which may come

Against his/her body and his/her soul,
Against incantations of false prophets,
Against black laws of heathenry,
Against false laws of heretics,
Against craft of idolatry,
Against spells of women and smiths and druids,
Against every knowledge that defiles men's souls.

Christ to protect *N.* today,
Against poison,
Against burning,
Against drowning,
Against death-wound,
until a multitude of rewards come to *N.*!

Christ with him/her,
Christ before him/her,
Christ behind him/her,
Christ in him/her!
Christ below him/her,
Christ above him/her.
Christ at his/her right,
Christ at his/her left!
Christ in breadth,
Christ in length,
Christ in height!

Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of him/her,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks to him/her,
Christ in every eye that sees him/her,
Christ in every ear that hears him/her!

I bind *N.* today to a strong virtue, an invocation of the Trinity. I believe in a Threeness with confession of a Oneness, in the Creator of [the universe.] Salvation is the Lord's, salvation is the Lord's, salvation is Christ's. May Thy salvation, O Lord, be always with us.