Paidir chuig Naonh Bríd as Fochaird.

A Bhríd, ban-phatrún na nGael agus bean le creideamh doimhin, tugann muid omós duit féin agus do Phádraig a chuidigh leis na Gaeil creideamh a bheith acu in Íosa. Thug an grá a bhí agat do Dhia an Máistir ort bheith i do aspal don chreideamh. Ní raibh teora ar bith leis an trua a bhí agat do na bochta agus do na daoine tinne. Bhí a fhios ag daoine go raibh solas an domhain i do chroí. Mheall an grá a bhí agat don chruthaíocht uilig ainmhithe allta le múinín a bheith acu ionat. Bean gnímh a bhí ionat a raibh aird níos mó agat ar dhaoine ná mar a bhí ar bhrící agus ar chlocha, Chuidigh crosóg fhite déanta as feadhacha leis an fhear a bhí ar leaba a bháis aithreachas a dhéanamh as a pheacaí agus maithiúnas agus athmhuintearas a fháil. Clúdaigh muid le clóca do charthanachta agus cuidigh linn ár gcreideamh a athnuachan in Íosa, ár Máistir Coiteann. Cuidigh linn tarrtháil a thabhairt orthu siúd a thagann chugainn le sólás a lorg, agus cuidigh linn a mbeannacht a fháil agus muid ag ní a gcosa agus ag cneasú a gcuid cneácha. A Mhuire na nGael, tabhair aire mháithriúil do gach duine a thagann chugat in am an anáis. Cuidigh linn i gcónaí aire a thabhairt dár ndomhan álainn. A Bhríd as Fochaird, guigh orainn. **Áiméan.**

A Prayer to St Brigid of Faughart

Brigid Patroness of the Irish and woman of deep faith. We salute you as with Patrick you helped the Irish come to faith in Jesus. Your love for the Master drove you to be an apostle of the faith. Your compassion for the poor and sick knew no boundaries. People recognised in your heart the Light of the world. Your love for all creation drew wild creatures to trust you. You were always a woman of action more centred on people than bricks and stones. A woven cross of reeds helped a dying man grieve for his sins resulting in forgiveness and reconciliation. Encircle us with your cloak of charity and help us all find a renewed faith in Jesus our common Master. Help us reach out to the Christ we meet daily in the faces of those in need who approach us for comfort, help us to seek their blessing upon us as we wash their feet and try to bind their wounds. Mary of the Irish show a mother's protective care to all who call upon you in need. Help us always to care for our beautiful planet Mother Earth. Brigid of Faughart, pray for us. **Amen.**

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