



March Newsletter

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Important March Dates

(All times are CDT)

March 8, 2:00 am - Daylight Savings Time Begins

Set your clocks forward one hour.

March 10, 9:38 pm - Full Moon

The Storm Moon

The Full Moon of March rains upon us, fertile and strong. Cold soil and soul, warm and awaken, softening in innocence with the first stirrings of spring. Reflecting on the future we prepare for the time of fertile readiness by cleansing and blessing the growing ground, sanctifying the soil. The earth is prepared for planting, and the self is readied for change and growth. In the days before a birth, the mother cleans the nest, preparing for the soon-to-arrive innocent. Operating from instinct and cleansed of illusion, truth guides our choices. The primal self knows what to sow and what to cull. Anticipation, inspiration and imagination grow, their magical strength beckoning to the seeds of future harvests.

*Seed Moon, Plow Moon, Moon of Winds,
Illusion ends as true growth begins,
Hecate, Athene, Astarie, Morrigan,
In pure inspiration the cycle begins again*

~ Dallas Jennifer Cobb

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

Shamrocks

According to Christian legend, St. Patrick used the three-leafed clover to illustrate the doctrine of the Trinity to his pagan audience in Ireland. However, this story did not appear until more than 1000 years after St. Patrick's death.

In ancient Ireland, the Celtic people revered the shamrock as a sacred plant because it symbolized the rebirth of spring. By the 17th century, when the English began to seize Irish land and suppress Irish language and religion, the shamrock became a symbol of Irish nationalism.

Leprechauns

The diminutive creatures we know as leprechauns were known in ancient Irish as "lobaircin," meaning "small-bodied fellow." Belief in leprechauns probably stems from Celtic belief in fairies, tiny creatures who could use their magical powers for good or evil. In Celtic folklore, the lobaircin were cranky fairies who mended the shoes of the other fairies. They were also mischievous and delighted in trickery, which they used to guard their fabled treasure.

The cheerful friendly version of the leprechaun known to us today is based in large part on Walt Disney's 1959 film *Darby O'Gill and the Little People*. It quickly evolved into a symbol of St. Patrick's Day and Ireland in general.

Corned Beef and Cabbage

Corned beef and cabbage is the traditional meal enjoyed by many on St. Patrick's Day, but only half of it is truly Irish. Cabbage has long been a staple of the Irish diet, but it was traditionally served with Irish bacon, not corned beef. The corned beef was substituted for bacon by Irish immigrants to the Americas around the turn of the century who could not afford the real thing. They learned about the cheaper alternative from their Jewish neighbors.

March 20 - Ostara

Ostara

Animals/Mythical Creatures - unicorn, merpeople, pegasus, rabbit/Easter bunny, chicks, swallows, snakes

Gemstones - rose quartz, moonstone, amethyst, aquamarine, bloodstone, red jasper

Incense/Oil - African violet, lotus, jasmine, rose, magnolia, sage lavender, narcissus, ginger, broom, strawberry

Colors/Candles - gold, light green, grass green, robin's egg blue, lemon yellow, pale pink, anything pastel

Tools/Symbols/Decorations - colored eggs, baskets, green clothes, shamrock, equilateral cross, butterfly, cocoons, sprouting plants; violets, lily, spring wildflowers, new clothes, lamb, hare/rabbit

Goddesses - Eostre (Saxon Goddess of Fertility), Ostara (the German Goddess of Fertility), Kore, Maiden, Isis, Astarte (Persia, GrecoRoman), Ishtar (Babylonian), Minerva (Roman), Youthful Goddesses, Faerie Queen, Lady of the Lake (Welsh-Cornish), the Green Goddess

Gods - Hare, Green Man, Youthful Gods, Warrior Gods, Taliesin, Lord of the Greenwood (English), Dagda (Irish), Cernunnos (Greco-Celtic), Pan (Greek), Adonis (Greek)

Essence - strength, birthing, completion, power, love, sexuality, embodiment of spirit, fertility, opening, beginning

Dynamics/Meaning - the God comes of age, sexual union of the Lord & Lady, sprouting, greening, balance of light and dark

Purpose - plant and animal fertility, sowing

Rituals/Magick - spellcrafting, invention, new growth, new projects, seed blessing

Customs - wearing green, new clothes, Celtic bird festival, egg baskets coloring eggs, collecting birds eggs, bird watching, egg hunts, starting new projects, spring planting

Foods - light foods, fish, maple sugar candies, hot crossed buns, sweet breads, hard boiled eggs, honey cakes, seasonal fruits, milk punch, egg drinks

Herbs - acorns, celandine, tansy, cinquefoil, crocus, daffodil, dogwood, Irish moss, ginger, honeysuckle, iris, jasmine, rose, hyssop, linden, strawberry, violets

Element/Gender - air/male

Threshold - dawn

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March 26, 11:06 am - New Moon

The New Moon is a time of renewal and starting new projects. It symbolizes birth and the start of a new cycle. This is a time for planting crops that grow above the ground. The first week of the cycle is good for crops with outside seeds. The second week is better for crops with inner seeds.

Consciousness is subjective and self-centered during the New Moon, as the focus is on expansion, self-centered gain, and the maximization of one's potential.

The New Moon starts the Waxing cycle, as the Moon will now spend two weeks growing in light from no light to all light at the Full Moon. This is a yang or masculine cycle which prompts exploration, trips, the going out or leaving one's center. The imagination rules and often soars without reason. As such, it often leads to immature mars-like actions that have to be resolved later during the Waning Cycle.

Promises and Resolutions can be made, new commitments begun. The sign the New Moon occurs in, its nature, element and mode will determine the kind of actions and consciousness necessary to bring fresh hopes to fruition.

New Items at Witch SuperCenter

Gemstone Runes - http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=19

Celtic Toe Rings & Jewelry - http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=23

Pentacle Soapstone Charcoal Burner -

http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=458

Celtic Knot Soapstone Incense Burner -

http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=457

Witchcraft Books - http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=9

Tarot Card Decks - http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=19

To see all of our new items, visit http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=products_new

Witch SuperCenter March Sale Items

The Sabbats eBook – Regular Price \$4.99, Sale Price \$3.99

Deluxe Wicca Kit w/Money Spell – Regular Price \$78.99, Sale Price \$75.99

Athame – Regular Price \$43.99, Sale Price \$40.99

Om Chakra Tote Bag – Regular Price \$6.99, Sale Price \$5.99

Allergy Relief Herbal Tea – Regular Price - \$5.99, Sale Price \$4.99

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Herb of the Month

Nettle - Fire/Mars, Gender - Masculine, Parts Used - The top part of the whole Herb, Magickal Properties - Protection, Petty Problem Resolutions, Uses - Infuse the flowers as a tea, sprinkle on self and other people, (with their permission of course!) or in a room to remove petty jealousies, gossip, envy and uncomfortable situations, use with a poppet to send bad vibes back to the person sending them to you then bury it, burn during banishing wishes

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Stone of the Month

Sodalite - A stone of the higher mind, Sodalite helps the wearer to think rationally and form logical conclusions. It aids in releasing confusion as well as being overly emotional and creates a stable atmosphere in which to deal with intellectual challenges. It brings a feeling of competence and well-being to those pursuits. Sodalite aids in understanding one's true feelings and helps to verbalize them. It is an excellent stone for working with groups as it helps the members to create an atmosphere of mutual trust and self-esteem, enhancing solidarity and enabling the group to establish common purpose and work together toward their goals. Calming and stabilizing, Sodalite stimulates thought and allows one to access his or her own inner knowing. It releases stresses, nervousness, angers and fears. It is an excellent stone for meditation and a promoter of inner wisdom.

Rune of the Month

⚔ **Othala** (O: Ancestral property.) - Inherited property or possessions, a house, a home. What is truly important to one. Group order, group prosperity. Land of birth, spiritual heritage, experience and fundamental values. Aid in spiritual and physical journeys. Source of safety, increase and abundance. Othala Reversed or Merkstave: Lack of customary order, totalitarianism, slavery, poverty, homelessness. Bad karma, prejudice, clannishness, provincialism. What a man is bound to.

To learn more about this and other runes, get our Rune Dice Book at

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Tarot Card of the Month

The Emperor - The Emperor is a sign of achievement and honor. He represents paternity and strong leadership. Positively associated with achievement, authority, protection, support, trustworthiness, discipline, provider, consolidation, reason, and willpower. Negatively associated with weakness, immaturity, failed ambition, status driven, tyrannical, and an overbearing nature.

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Correspondence of the Month

Time of Day

Sunrise - purification, business, success, study, travel, employment, breaking habits, guilt, jealousy, healing disease, conscious mind

Noon - magickal energy, physical energy, strength, protection, money, courage

Sunset - breaking addictions, weight loss, banishing, misery, pain, anguish, negative habits

Night - beauty, dreams, psychic dreams, awareness, sex, spirituality, purification, love, friendship, peace, releasing stress

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Spell of the Month

How to Break a Spell

The best time to break a spell is the first Saturday after a Full Moon or the Full Moon itself.

Items you will need:

1 White candle

1 Black candle

either an Amethyst stone, an Apache tear or a Smokey Quartz

Write the spell to undo what you have done and be specific; for example:

On the Eve of.....

I cast a spell and

the effects I created

I must now quell.

Specifically,.....

May this be lifted

and now I be gifted

Specifically with.....

Place the stone on your altar and light the candles. Chant the spell you have written. Be certain that the original spell does not last 30 days or that you have placed a time limit on it, or that it was preformed during a special astrological correspondence that has imbued it with a time limit of its own.

To receive more spells, get our Wicca 101 and Beyond: A Witch's Grimoire eBook at http://witchsupercenter.com/zencart/index.php?main_page=product_info&cPath=9&products_id=108