

March Newsletter

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Important March Dates

(All times are CST/CDT)

February 23, 3:41 am until March, 17, 3:03 pm - Mercury Retrograde

The forever messenger and traveler, Mercury, enters with gusto into Retrograde. This period is asking us to retrace our thoughts and feelings, and to prioritize what is really important to us.

Many times during these periods when a computer, car or electronic instrument is going haywire, our biggest annoyance is the frustration and the time involved. The real problem is not paying attention to the details and that the results of our actions come back to haunt us with delays and misunderstandings, which we could have avoided. We will usually get a surprise which we did not expect, because we have not paid attention when it was happening. The fault is not all due to the planet Mercury, but with us in this fast pace world of today. We seem to always be anticipating the future, or reminiscing about the past, instead of living and paying attention to the present. We are mostly to blame, as we tend to be careless and not pay attention to the details. We need to become aware of the consequences of our actions or non-actions, to avoid the frustration and delays retrograde can bring.

Instead of avoiding certain situations, we need to be prepared and mentally alert for whatever comes our way in order to avoid the pitfalls. Knowing that delays and unexpected outcomes are possible, our attitude toward the situation should be more of

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calmness, rather than agitation. As we meet each negative situation with a positive action, we will begin to create a positive force around us. Mercury Retrograde in Pisces is telling us to shakeup our priorities and to reshuffle them to be in line with what we truly believe in, and truly stand for. At this time, we are being asked to find our own inner spiritual voice, and to allow it to have its place in the limelight.

March 10, 2 am - Daylight Savings Time Begins

Remember to set your clocks forward one hour.

March 11, 2:51 pm - New Moon

This New Moon helps focus our emotional goals as part of a rare six planet line-up in Pisces. There is an emotional charge and our imagination is unleashed. Expect an inspired action preguel to the mega-Aries energy coming.

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

Currant-Orange Irish Soda Bread

Ingredients

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 - 2 tablespoons sugar

1 teaspoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 tablespoon finely shredded orange peel

3 tablespoons butter

1/3 cup currants

1 egg, lightly beaten

3/4 cup buttermilk

Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Grease a baking sheet, set aside. In a large mixing bowl stir together flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, salt, and orange peel. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in currants. Make a well in the center of the mixture.
- 2. In a small mixing bowl combine egg and buttermilk. Add all at once to flour mixture. Stir just until moistened.
- 3. On a lightly floured surface gently knead dough to form a dough (about 4 or 5 times). Shape into a 7-inch round loaf.

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4. Transfer dough to prepared baking sheet. With a sharp knife, make 2 slashes across the top of the loaf to form an X, cutting all the way to the edge. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until golden. Serve warm.

March 27, 6:02 am - Ostara/Spring Equinox

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 27, 4:27 am - Full Moon

Storm Moon

This month can bring turbulent storms as the land begins to awaken with the coming spring. Embrace a sense of calm as you welcome the Storm Moon by performing a bath ritual. First, prepare an infusion of apple by steeping slices of apple in hot water until the water is cool; then, remove the pieces. Add a few drops of honeysuckle essential oil to the infusion and allow it to sit in the moonlight for as long as you like. If possible, add a bit of fresh rainwater (or melted snow) as well. Visualize the moonlight charging the infusion with energy. The energy is soft, but powerful; gentle, yet persistent. When you're ready, add this infusion to your bath. Alternatively, you can use the infusion in the shower, if you don't have a tub. As you wash, cleanse yourself with moonlight.

Full Moon wrapped in sky's embrace Full Moon, wash me in your grace Light cascading from your face Set me free from time and place.

~ Ember Grant in Llewellyn's 2013 Witches' Datebook

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Sale Price - \$11.99
Magickal Herb Kit, 75 Herbs - Regular Price - \$54.99, Sale Price - \$47.99
Divination eBook - Regular Price - \$4.99, Sale Price - \$3.99
Doublemint Herbal Tea - Regular Price - \$5.99, Sale Price - \$4.99

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Herb of the Month

Peppermint - Element - Air, Planet - Venus, Gender - Feminine, Also associated with the element of Fire, Parts Used - The whole Herb, Magickal Properties - Purification, Healing, Sleep, Uses - Some Love and Prosperity Wishes, burn the herb in a new home to clear out all negative energies, carry with other herbs for boosting love and abundance, place on person or their picture for haste in healing, also used when changes are needed in one's life, gives the added push needed, also used in a tea to help ease tensions.

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Stone of the Month

Calcite - Calcite increases and amplifies energy. This makes it an excellent stone for distance healing, as well as other types of healing. One of the energies it amplifies is learning abilities, and thus is a great stone for students.

Calcite is a protecting, grounding and centering stone, and can help bring inner peace. Since calcite also promotes creativity and imagination, this inner peace it can bring is a vibrant one.

Calcite has been said to increase prosperity. It can also be helpful in astral travel and in channeling, as well as increasing intuition. Calcite is also a stone of spirituality and wisdom.

All calcites are helpful in lessening of fear and reducing stress. Calcite is probably the premier cleanser of stored negative energies in the human system, and works on all levels from the physical to the etheric. This makes it a very purifying stone. It can also be used to clear negativity in the environment, such as a room that it's in.

In the realm of relationships, calcite brings its properties of grounding and centering, to make it a stone of reconciliation. Calcite can ameliorate arguments in a relationship, and help maintain a practical balance between the people in the relationship.

Physically, calcites are good for back pain, increasing physical strength, teeth, eyes, and are generally good for healing. Clear calcite can be used for treating all conditions. It can also be used for detoxifying and as an antiseptic agent. Calcite is especially helpful with emotional and mental conditions.

Clear calcite can be used to open and balance all the chakras. Calcite of different colors is great for using to open and balance the various chakras.

Rune of the Month

Sowilo (S: The sun.) – Success, goals achieved, honor. The life-force, health. A time when power will be available to you for positive changes in your life, victory, health, and success. Contact between the higher self and the unconscious. Wholeness, power, elemental force, sword of flame, cleansing fire. Sowilo Merkstave (Sowilo cannot be reversed, but may lie in opposition): False goals, bad counsel, false success, gullibility, loss of goals. Destruction, retribution, justice, casting down of vanity. Wrath of god.

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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

Flowers

Rose Acacia – friendship
Amaryllis – beautiful but timid
Blue Bell – constancy
Buttercup – riches; memories of childhood
Camellia – gratitude; perfect loveliness
Carnation – pure and deep love
White Clover – I promise
Four Leaf Clover – be mine
Red Columbine – anxious and trembling
Dahlia – dignity and elegance
Daffodil – unrequited love
Garden Daisy – I share your feelings
Single Field Daisy – I will think of it

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Dandelion – oracle; coquetry

Foxglove - insincerity; occupation

Rose Geranium - I prefer you

Honeysuckle – devoted love; fidelity

Hyacinth – constancy; benevolence

White Jasmine - amiability

Jonquil - desire; affection returned

Lavender - mistrust

Purple Lilac - first emotions of love

White Lily - majesty; purity

Lily of the Valley – return of happiness

Lupine - dejection

Magnolia - love of nature

Marigold – sacred affection

Garden Marigold - grief; chagrin

Mignonette – your qualities surpass your charms

Morning Glory – coquetry; affection

Myrtle - love in absence

Purple Pansy – you occupy my thoughts

Periwinkle – sweet memories

Phlox - our hears are united

Pimpernel - rendezvous; change

Primrose - modest worth; silent love

Rhododendron - agitation

Rosebud - confession on love

Red Rose - I love you

White Rose - silence

Yellow Rose - infidelity, unfaithfulness

Snapdragon – presumption

Snowball – goodness; thoughts of heaven

Snowdrop – consolation; a friend in adversity

Sunflower – false riches

Sweet Pea - a meeting

Red Tulip – declaration of love

Blue Violet – faithfulness

White Violet - purity; candor; modesty

Zinnia – I mourn your absence

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Spell of the Month

Love Charm Bag

As with any love magick, spells like this are best done on a Friday.

small pink charm bag, any material 1 pink candle 4 white candles Cauldron or fire-proof pot Catnip and jasmine herbs Small piece of paper, and pen

Cast your circle in your usual manner. Place the 4 white candles in a circle around your altar, at the 4 directional points, with the cauldron and pink candle in the center. Light each of the white candles, and then the pink one. On the slip of paper, write down some of the important qualities you are looking for in a mate. Place the paper with the herbs in the cauldron, and light them. As they burn, focus on your intent and repeat the chant below three times.

By the power of flame and herb, bring me love By the power of flame and words, bring me love By the power of flame and candle, bring me love

Let the candles burn out, and put the herb/paper ashes in the pouch. Carry it with you.

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