

Imbolc Sabbat Ritual

Performed by Priestess Sandra Cheryl Richardson

Saturday January 25, 2014

At the MoonPath Chapter of Continental CUUPS

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Positions:

Priestess: Sandra Cheryl Richardson

Sergeant of Arms: Joseph Richardson

Earth: Kyle

Air: Edie

Fire: Skybear/Panda

Water: Kalimere

Opening Ritual

Consecrate the temple.

Bless the altar, symbols and tools of the ritual.

Priestess anoints the Sergeant with Holy Oil.

The Sergeant calls forth the members of the Covenant, saying,
**"GATHER AROUND THE SACRED GROUND THOSE
WHO WOULD STAND BEFORE THE GODS TONIGHT.
COME IN STRENGTH AND GOODNESS AND PEACE.
COME IN LOVE AND COME IN LIGHT."**

Priestess rings bell 3 times.

Priestess raises arms and says, **"DARKNESS IS DARKNESS,
AND LIGHT IS LIGHT. BUT TRUTH IS ETERNAL BE IT
DAY OR NIGHT."**

All repeat.

Invite the Dragons of the Earth, Sea and Sky.

Call forth the Watchtowers.

East –

South -

West -

North –

Priestess says, "BEHOLD WE STAND IN THE CIRCLE OF THE MOONPATH CHAPTER OF CUUPS."

All say, "GLORY TO ALMIGHTY GODDESS, GLORY TO ALMIGHTY GOD, GREAT AND SACRED CREATOR WHO IS KNOWN BY MANY NAMES."

Priestess says, "BEHOLD, THY SOUL IS A LIVING STAR SHINING AMONG ITS BRETHREN."

All say, "MAY I LOOK UPON MY SOUL AND MY SHADOW."

Priestess says, "THOU ART PURE. THY KA IS PURE. THY SOUL IS PURE. THY FORM IS PURE."

Priestess says, please repeat the Articles of Faith, "I BELIEVE IN THE SACRED GODDESS, MOTHER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH. AND OF ALL THINGS VISIBLE AND INVISIBLE. AND IN THE GREAT LORD WHO STANDS BY HER SIDE, MASTER OF LIFE AND DEATH, PROTECTOR AND FATHER DIVINE. AND IN THE HOLY GUARDIANS OF THE ELEMENTS OF THE EARTH, AIR, FIRE, AND WATER, THE GREATER AND LESSER SPIRITS, THE CONTINUITY OF LIFE AND THE SANCTITY OF THE EARTH. FROM MY FEET TO MY CROWN, IN THOUGHT, WORD, AND DEED, I AM THE POWER AND THE

COVENANT MANIFEST INTO THE WORLD. SO MOTE IT BE."

Priestess invites the Divine presence of the Lady and the Lord gives salutations in Their names.

Priestess rings bell 3 times.

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Priestess: **Great Goddess, Mother and Creatrix Divine,**
 before You I stand as Your servant as in times
 of olde,
 So through me and before your children may
 Your love shine and may Your love fill us all.
 Great God, Father and Creator Divine, as
 Your servant in times long past before You I
 stand,
 So through me and before Your children may
 Your love spread and cover the land. We
 gather this night to honor the Earth and the
 fruit of Goddess' womb, where new life now
 stirs through winter's dark gloom.

All repeat: **Glory to the Sacred Goddess and Father God.**
 May the Earth be blessed!

Explain that everyone should think about something they would like to grow this year – good health, finances, love, success, good luck.....

Priestess blesses the basket of seeds by saying:

“I bless the creatures of these seeds with light
 Serve your purpose, growing bright
 Infused with magick, you shall be

**Leaf and stem, though you may be
I give you life of needed length
Be the instruments of life and strength
If Candlemas day be fair and bright
Winter will have another flight
But if it be dark with clouds and rain
Winter is gone and will not come again
In fertile darkness life grows into birth
Thus with the sun's light do we banish Winter from the Earth
Awake! O Earth from your slumber,
See the lights and hear the rumble
Awake! O Sun and restore the Earth
And grant fertility to home and hearth
Ever mindful of the law of three
These seeds are blessed, So Mote It Be!"**

Then looking at the audience, she says:

**Priestess: The light of the God's life have been placed in
these seeds for you, so that they may be
nurtured and grow anew.**

**You are part of Goddess and God, Almighty of
many names, and with these seeds you touch Their living
flame.**

**Bring the seed and place your wish inside,
Receive Their blessings and let Them be your guide.**

One by one, each person comes forward, including the drummers, and picks a seed from the Sergeant. They carry the seed to the High Priestess and put the seeds into the cauldron or container. Make a wish of something you want to grow in your life this year.

Drumming is good here. ☺

Priestess: Your seeds have been received and life now grows inside as it does in all the Earth with the changing tides.
All shall receive blessings of hope renewed through the light of life, may it shine true. So mote it be!

Ring bell 3 times.

Closing Ritual

Priestess rings bell three times.

Priestess says, please repeat the Affirmation of Power, "I AM THE CENTER OF ALL THINGS, BORN OF THE MOST HIGH. THE EARTH AND THE WATER ARE AT MY FEET. THY BOUNTY AND GOODNESS ARE WITH ME. THY POWER AND WISDOM ARE IN THE WIND AND THE FIRE AT MY GRASP. I LIFT MY SPIRIT TO THEE AND THY GLORY SHINES UPON MY FACE. HOLY ART THOU, AND BLESSED ARE THY CHILDREN. SO MOTE IT BE."

Cakes and Ale. **Priestess** blesses the cakes and ale plus all the food and drink we will consume afterwards.

Announcements.

- Thanks to everyone for attending
- Thanks to drummers
- Thanks to MoonPath Cuups for hosting us

Priestess rings bell 3 times.

Priestess says, please repeat the Affirmation of Faith, "**THOU ART A LAMP UNTO MY FEET. THOUGH THE ROAD BE NARROW AND ROCKS BAR THE WAY, MY FOOTING IS SURE, FOR THOU ART WITH ME IN ALL THAT I DO. SO MOTE IT BE.**"

Priestess renders closing salutations to the Lady and Lord.

Closing salutations to the Dragons of the Earth, Sea and Sky.

Closing salutations to the Watchtowers done widdershins.

Earth: Kyle

Air: Edie

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Clear Temple by clapping 3 times.

Priestess rings bell 3 times.