

Daily Prayer (read every day of festival):

Every summer, we make a pilgrimage to the Gathering Grounds. We come to celebrate, we come to make friends and alliances, share knowledge and regain our spiritual strength amongst people of like mind. Flowing underneath the surface of this experience is the boundless history and power of our ancestors, and the blessings of the Shining Ones.

This morning, we honour this sacred undercurrent,

We are cleansed by it,

We draw from it power and joy and vision.

By these blessings, we can become our best selves, live our best lives,

And make this Gathering as renewing and significant as the ones of old.

Lugh Lamfada, Shining One, Hear your people's call

Chieftain of Chieftains, Hero of the People and Master of All Trades

Witness your people, assembled in your honour,

Gathering in peace, in kinship, in joy.

Through you, the many are made one,

Joined in your worship and in our love of the Gods.

(Add day-appropriate prayer as found below)

Wednesday: Lugh as founder of Festivals

O Lugh, Glorious and Mighty One

For this time, we are all your people,
gathered under your shield,
enchanted by your magic.

We ask you to bestow upon this festival
All of the many blessings you contain;
Bless all the people here gathered at Kaleidoscope
Protect us, sustain us, teach us,
Reveal to us the magic and the wisdom
Found both in this world and the Other.
In exchange, accept this, our offering.
(offering of whiskey is made)

For all the blessings you give us this week, we say: "Hail to you Lugh, God
and Hero!" .

Thursday (Lughnasad): Lugh as Provider of Plenty

O Lugh, Glorious and Mighty One

For this time, we are all your people,
gathered under your shield,
enchanted by your magic.

We come this morning on behalf of those who follow the path of the Nurturer- the farmer, the midwife, the care-giver and healer, those who tend to the Earth and its inhabitants, and live by the cycles of life and death.

On this day, Lughnasad, when we celebrate your victory over Bres, and the knowledge of agriculture that you secured for us on the battlefield, we come bearing fruits of the harvest. (offerings for food bank should be deposited by shrine)

We ask you to bestow upon this festival

And upon your people here gathered

The blessings of the Harvest:

Peace and prosperity,

Food of the land, enough to keep us nourished,

And food of the spirit, enough to strengthen us on our continued journey.

In exchange, accept this, our offering. (offering of whiskey is made)

For all the blessings you give us this week, we say: "Hail to you Lugh, God and Hero!"

Friday: Lugh as Protector/Warrior

O Lugh, Glorious and Mighty One

For this time, we are all your people,
gathered under your shield,
enchanted by your magic.

We come this morning on behalf of those who walk the path of the
Warrior- Fighters and defenders of hearth and home, who follow the path
of might and right, who sacrifice life and limb for the protection of others.

We ask you to bestow upon this festival

And upon your people

The blessings of the path of the warrior;

Wit and cunning, as straight as the flight of your spear

Strong shielding from the hazards we may encounter, physical or psychic

And honour in the face of our challengers.

In exchange, accept this, our offering. (offering of whiskey is made)

For all the blessings you give us this week, we say: “Hail to you Lugh,
God and Hero!”

Saturday: Lugh as Magician/Outsider/King

O Lugh, Glorious and Mighty One

For this time, we are all your people,
gathered under your shield,
enchanted by your magic.

We come this morning on behalf of those who dwell on the outskirts, who follow the path of the Other- musicians and magicians, sorcerers, wanderers and leaders, those who live with one foot in this world and one foot in the otherworld.

We ask you to bestow upon this festival

And upon your people here gathered

The blessings of the dweller between the worlds;

Good fortune and fate,

Easy communion with the spirits of this world and of the Other

And the revelation of our true power as makers of our world.

In exchange, accept this, our offering. (offering of whiskey is made)

For all the blessings you give us this week, we say: ""Hail to you Lugh,
God and Hero!"

Sunday: Lugh the Wise One

O Lugh, Glorious and Mighty One

For this time, we are all your people,
gathered under your shield,
enchanted by your magic.

We come this morning on behalf of those who follow the path of the Cleric-
the scholar, the law-maker, the philosopher and the clergy, those who
expand the realm of the mind and spirit, and set boundaries and laws for
humanity.

We ask you to bestow upon this festival

And upon your people

The blessings of the path of the wise;

Knowledge of right action,

The courage to explore the boundaries, and

The wisdom that comes from seeing order within chaos.

In exchange, accept this, our offering. (offering of whiskey is made)

For all the blessings you give us this week, we say: ""Hail to you Lugh,
God and Hero!"

Monday: Lugh as Maker/Patron of Craftsfolk

O Lugh, Glorious and Mighty One

For this time, we are all your people,
gathered under your shield,
enchanted by your magic.

We come this morning of behalf of those who follow the path of the Maker-
crafts people and manufacturers, those who use their hands to make the
necessities of life, objects of both beauty and practicality.

We ask you to bestow upon this festival

And upon your people here gathered

The blessings of the Makers:

Sure hands and light touch,

Patience and skill to find the beauty in all our works,

And an ever-lasting fire of inspiration.

In exchange, accept this, our offering. (offering of whiskey is made)

Final Prayer:

Witness your people, assembled in your honour, gathering in peace, in
kinship, in joy.

Because of you, we have the tools to grow.

Because of you, we have the skill to make.

Because of you, we have the vision to be-

To strive for mastery of our own world and mind,

And bring the strength of virtue to our actions.

To you we call, to you we make our offerings, and to you we thank!

We thank you for the many gifts you have bestowed upon us- blessings of
wisdom, power, strength, and skill.

Now, before we leave this Gathering for another year, we ask for your blessing once more.

Bless the year ahead with the bounty of your harvest

Bless us, your people, with the blessings of prosperity, wisdom, and peace.

Protect us and keep us safe from harm, so that next year, we can return to you here.

Though we may leave this place, we carry your blessings with us always, and with them, we make our world a better place.

Once more, before we leave, we say: "Hail to you Lugh, God and Hero!"