

An Irish Blessing

May the blessing of light be upon you.

Light on the outside and light on the inside.

With God's sunlight shining on you, may your heart glow with warmth like a turf fire that welcomes friends and strangers alike.

May the light of the Lord shine from your eyes like a candle in the window welcoming the weary traveller.

May the blessing of God's soft rain be on you, falling gently on your head, refreshing your soul with the sweetness of little flowers newly blooming.

May the strengths of the winds of heaven bless you, carrying the rain to wash your spirit clean, sparkling after in the sunlight.

May the blessings of God's earth be on you and as you walk the roads may you always have a kind word to those you meet.

May you understand the strength and power of God in a thunderstorm in winter.

And the quiet beauty of creation and the calm of a summer sunset.

And may you come to realise that, insignificant as you may seem in this great universe, you are an important part of God's plan.

May God watch over you and keep you safe from harm.

