

## 5. Críost Liom - Lúireach Phádraig (Saint Patrick's Breastplate)

Attributed to St Patrick, 5th cent.  
(Trad/Arr. Céili Dé collective)

As the on-lookers watch Jesus being led away by the soldiers from the Garden to be mocked and scourged we hear a disciple singing these words to Christ from a distance.

(Chorus)

Críost liom, Críost romham,  
Críost i mo dhiaidh, Críost ionam

(Verses)

Críost fúm, Críost os mo chionn,  
Críost ar mo lámh clé, Críost ar mo dheis  
Críost i leithead, Críost i bhfad  
Críost in áirde, Críost le mo chois  
Críost i gcluasa gach aon duine  
de na daoine éisteach liom  
Críost i súile gach aon duine  
de na daoine fhéachas orm

(Chorus)

Christ be with me  
Christ be with me, Christ be before me

(Verses)

Christ be behind me, Christ be in me  
Christ be beneath me, Christ above me  
Christ on my left hand, Christ on my right  
Christ in all breadth, Christ in all length,  
Christ in all height, Christ at my feet  
Christ in the ear of every person  
Of all those who listen to me  
Christ in the eyes of every person  
Of the people who see me

