

Cakes and Ale (used in SSC 2009 Beltane and adopted by SSC)

High Priestess

*Great Mother, bless these cakes,
Grown in the earth,
Blessed by air,
Nourished by water,
Transformed by fire,
That they may nourish and sustain us in your service*

May you always have enough.

Symbolic Great Rite/Blessing of Ale – High Priest and High Priestess

High Priest gives High Priestess the Chalice /High Priestess gives High Priest the Athame

High Priest: *Be it known that a man is not greater than a woman,*

High Priestess, holding Chalice: *Nor is a woman greater than a man*

High Priest: *As the Athame is to the man*

High Priestess: *So the Chalice is to the woman*

Together: *And conjoined they bring blessings.*

May your cup always be full.