

Poems by Phil Brennán

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Nine Plus One

Stupid fucking lies
All the things that I despise
Hit you with a bum rap
Split you from all that crap
I cocked the Glock an' pulled off my nine plus
one
To fight an' earn my place in the sun
Only t'find out that ambition is despised in our
land of the free
And that conformity is my only enemy

Pull back
Pull back the mother fucking disguise
A palace of stone made up of politicians' lies
T'see for ourselves the way we've been deceived
With all the former lies we believed
Voted for one but got the other
An' for once those dumb fucks got it together
Aligned the same an' we took the blame
For not seeing the truth before it was too late

Eurocentric egocentrics
Treating us like dumb fuck geriatrics
Pump us full of lies to keep us blind from the
truth
Given us an enemy to hate called youth
So we don't ever see the state we're in
A European Union federal superstate
We gotta change it all before it's too late
Before we lose our identities
Our majority
Our way of life and our freedom
To choose the way we live
Sovereignty is something we're not willing to
give

So I cock my Glock an' pull off the nine plus
one
Even though I'm the only one
Who has the balls to read the writing on the wall
An' make an Anarchist's stand
Like the Alamo

I'm fighting a suicidal war
Against corporations an' power whores
An' politicians who lie to keep them from being
shot against walls
If we realised the truth we'd have their balls

So I cock my Glock an' pull off the nine plus
one
Even though I know I'm the only one

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Vampyre (Part Two)

Death is in the air tonight
Breathing soft velvet oblivion
Caving in my chest as I draw my last breath
Concaving my spirit like so many nails
Scratching into my back and drawing blackened
blood

And life's summer has flown me by
No more sunlight can I withstand
So I sink down into the darkness within and say
goodbye
And celebrate death's tender caresses
As she pulls me into the darkness beyond

(I should have run the moment I saw her
standing there

With hollow eyes she caught me in her
vitriolic stare

And for a second I lost my will to live)

So Death and I ride off into the dusk of madness
and pain
Never to see the dawn rise in the Eastern Skies
again
Never to love without killing and cry without
bleeding
To eat dust as long as I still live within this
corpse

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Holy, Holy, Holy

We shall triumph by the words of our
testimonies
And the precious blood of the Lamb
Singing holy, holy, holy
Is the LORD God Almighty
Who was slain but rose again
Who was and is and is forever more
Holy, holy, holy
Is the LORD God Almighty
King forever more

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Seo Mo F'Athair [This is my Father –
Psalm 91; Romans 8 v 38 - 39]

When darkness comes and I'm groping around
Trying to grab onto something fast
He comes to me with wings of steel
And hides me beneath pinions of iron
Only then can I truly say
"Seo mo F'Athair"

When disaster falls all around me,
And in my fear I'm casting doubts,
He comes to me and lifts me up,
And shows me His salvation,
Only then can I truly say,
"Seo mo F'Athair"

And nothing on earth can separate me,
From His tender love,
So when I meet Him face to face,
I will say "Seo mo F'Athair"

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Baby Blue

Baby blue
There's too much to say
Too much to do
And all I can see
Is you

Baby red
There's something hiding
Within your head
And it makes the world
Seem dead

And it doesn't matter what I say
You're gonna leave anyway
And it doesn't matter what I do
As when I've said my piece
It's down to you

Baby green
You're not all that
You appear or seem
But when I'm alone with you
You make me clean

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Sweet Holy Spirit

Sweet sweet sweet rain
Wash me again
Help me to reach
That place of peace
You will always win
My heart, my everything

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In Your Mercies I Stand [Psalm 62;
Psalm 63]

My soul waits upon the Lord
From Whom salvation comes
For He is the Rock I stand upon
The Holy One of Israel

And I will seek your face
To see Your mercy and grace
For I'm longing to see Your glory
Revealed in those who love Your Name

In Your mercies I stand
Able to lift up holy hands
For You are the Rock I stand upon
O Holy One of Israel

And I will seek your face
To see Your mercy and grace
For I'm longing to see Your glory
Revealed in those who love Your Name

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As I Am

With simple words I sing to You
A song to say "I love You"
No eloquence or flattering words
No soft sentimental flourish
Just a simple, heartfelt "love You"

You first loved me
Even when I couldn't see
Lost in ritual and circumstance
Led by religious elegance
When all You truly wanted
Was me

So now I come, all that I am
To sing joyous praises to the Lamb
No more bound by what I must do
To show what You already knew
So I come as I am

You first loved me
Even when I couldn't see
Lost in ritual and circumstance
Led by religious elegance
When all You truly wanted
Was me

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I Will Bless the Most High God

I will bless the Lord with all that I am
I will praise the One who gives me life
For He is the Lord
Redeemer of all the earth
And I will bless His Name
For as the heavens are above the earth
Is His loving kindness
That He has shown to me

And I will bless the Most High God
Creator of heaven and earth
Who came down as God made flesh
My Redeemer, Almighty God

I will bless You for wearing the crown
Wrought of so many thorns
I will bless You for dying upon the cross
So that I may receive Your mercy
I will bless You for rising again
Triumphing over death by Your blood

And I will bless the Most High God
Creator of heaven and earth
Who came down as God made flesh
My Redeemer, Almighty God

I will bless You for removing my sin
As far as the East is from the West
I will bless You for washing me clean
Through the shedding of Your blood
I will bless You for giving me life
My redeemer, Almighty God

And I will bless the Most High God
Creator of heaven and earth
Who came down as God made flesh
My Redeemer, Almighty God

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Renew Your Fire [Within Our Hearts]

Let Your fire burn within our hearts
O Lord our God and Redeemer
Let Your kingdom break our chains
That we might learn to love again
That Your blood would remove our shame
For we have all been scorned
And sorely tempted by those
Who would blaspheme Your Holy Name

So as we lift our hands to You
In surrender, worship, and adoration
Renew Your fire within our hearts
So that we might heal our nation
And see Your kingdom come

Let us, O Lord, be revival
So that all would know once again
The glory of Your Holy Name
That salvation comes from You alone
Let us be that kingdom fire
To lift Your Name even higher
Above all other names
And worship You alone

So as we lift our hands to You
In surrender, worship, and adoration
Renew Your fire within our hearts
So that we might heal our nation
And see Your kingdom come

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In Your Mercies I Stand [Brennán's Reel
- Psalm 62; Psalm 63]

My soul waits upon the Lord 7
From Whom all salvation comes 7
For He's the Rock I stand upon 8
The Holy One of Israel 8

And I will always seek Your face 9
To see Your mercy and Your grace 8
I'm longing to see Your glory 9
Revealed in those who love Your Name 8

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A Psalm of Ascents

How long must I wait, O Lord
How long must I tarry in the presence of evil
men
And suffer the insults they make against You?
Their mouths are wide pits that lead to the
depths of hell
And their actions betray their evil hearts
Wicked schemes are planned in their innermost
beings
And their hands are quick to shed innocent
blood

Selah

As for myself I shall await the salvation of the
Lord
I shall set my heart upon His precepts
And fill my innermost parts with His grace
In His mercy I shall build my foundations
And set His Anointed One as the capstone
Then I shall look upon the wicked with
compassion
And the unlovely with the love of God

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