



St Patrick's Day

Ireland's Greenest
Celebration!

Tuesday 17th March 2026



In today's assembly, we are going to:

- Discover **who St Patrick was** and why he is famous.
- Learn how people around the world **celebrate** this special day.
- Explore the symbols of Ireland, like the **shamrock**.
- Understand why the colour **green** is so important!

Who Was St Patrick?



The Man Behind the Day

St Patrick is the **patron saint** of Ireland. He wasn't actually Irish—he was born in Britain!

His Story

When he was sixteen, he was taken to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but later returned to teach people about Christianity. He used the **shamrock** to explain difficult ideas about religion.

The Legend of the Snakes

A Famous Story

A famous legend says that St Patrick **chased all the snakes** out of Ireland and into the sea!

Is it True?

Most scientists believe there **were never any snakes** in Ireland after the Ice Age. It is a metaphor for St Patrick getting rid of pagan traditions.



Quick Quiz

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Symbols of Ireland

1



The Shamrock

A small three-leaf plant that St Patrick used to teach about his faith.

2



The Leprechaun

Irish folklore's tiny fairy hides pots of gold at rainbow's end.

3



The Colour Green

Represents the beautiful lush landscapes of the Emerald Isle.



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True or False ☒ X

People wear blue on St Patrick's Day.



TRUE



FALSE

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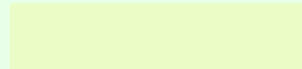


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FALSE

People wear green! If you don't wear green, a leprechaun might pinch you—according to tradition!



How is it Celebrated?



St. Patrick's Day is celebrated globally on **March 17th**. Major cities host large **parades** with music and Irish dancing. Traditional foods like soda bread are enjoyed, and some rivers are dyed **green** for the festivities.

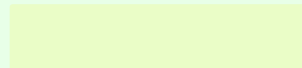
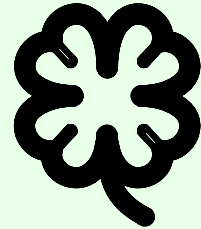
St Patrick's Day Prayer

Loving God,
Thank you for the life of **St Patrick**,
who shared your message of love and faith with the
people of Ireland.

Help us to be brave like St Patrick,
to share kindness with others,
and to take care of the beautiful world you have
created.

Bless our school, our families,
and all the people of Ireland today.
May we always try to live with faith, hope and love.

Amen.



Song: This Little of Mine

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