

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY



March 17th



It is the national day of Ireland but people in other countries also celebrate this day.

SAINT PATRICK



He was born in the 4th century.

He brought Christianity into Ireland.



This is a diagonal red cross of Saint Patrick.

Legend says that he drove the snakes from Ireland.



SHAMROCK

- It is a small plant with three leaves.

It became the symbol of this holiday because Saint Patrick used its leaves to explain the idea of the Trinity.



FOUR-LEAF CLOVER

- If you find one it brings you . . .

GOOD LUCK!



GREEN CLOTHES



- People wear shamrocks and green and orange.



- Green and orange are symbols of Ireland and the colors of the flag.

If you don't wear green...

- If you forget to wear something green on Saint Patrick's Day, people can pinch you as a punishment.



PARADES

- You can see great parades in many cities. The most famous are the ones in Dublin and New York.



IRISH JIG

- People dance the Irish traditional dance called **JIG**.



People listen to harp music and
sing their favourite songs.



The harp is the oldest
symbol of Ireland.

St. Patrick's Day in the United States

- It is also celebrated in the USA.
- Irish people came from Ireland to the United States and brought the tradition with them.



Every year the river in Chicago is dyed green for St. Patrick's Day.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ikHiKciIz_g&ab_channel=PrimoMedia-ChrisBiela



FOOD AND DRINK

- People eat corned beef and cabbage.



- They eat green cakes and drink green drinks.



LEPRECHAUN



- He is an Irish elf.

If you catch a leprechaun ...

He can tell you...

Where the pot
of gold is.



It is hidden at the end of the rainbow



This is the end of this short story

so . . .



. . . and don't forget to wear something green
on March 17th.