

St. Patrick's day is celebrated on March 17th each year. It is the feast day of Ireland's patron saint: Patrick.

St. Patrick's day is celebrated in Ireland and all over the world by people of Irish heritage.

It has become a celebration of Irish culture.



St. Patrick was born in Britain in 387 A.D. He was kidnapped by raiders from Ireland at the age of 16 and he became a slave. Once in his new country, he began to talk to Irish people about God, introducing his Christian beliefs to the country. He became a priest and worked in Ireland for 40 years speaking about god.

The most famous celebrations on Saint Patrick's Day are the parades. These are carnival-like events, where people dress up and walk along the street, dancing or playing music.

Another well-known aspect of Saint Patrick's Day is the colour green. Many people wear green clothes.



Corned beef and cabbage is what most people have on this day. Another popular dish is Irish soda bread and potato pancakes.

Irish pub owners go crazy on this day, putting green food colouring into their beers and traditional Irish Guinness Stout is a sell out in all Irish pubs.