

# Saint Patrick In History

## Shamrocks, saint and shillelaghs

St. Patrick's Day, celebrated March 17, honors Ireland's legendary patron saint, who died on that day in 461.

### Shamrock

Small, three-leaved plant appears on U.K.'s coat of arms with English rose, Scottish thistle



### Irish flag

Green represents Catholics; orange, Protestants; white, the wish for harmony



### Leprechauns

Fairies who work day and night mending shoes of other fairies



### Shillelagh

(shi-lay'-lee)

Walking stick; Irish for stout oak club or cudgel; also a forest that once stood in County Wicklow



### Patrick: Saint and legend

**387 A.D.** Born in Britain to a Roman family; his father served as a magistrate; his original name was Maewyn

**Early 400s** Taken to Ireland as a slave; after six years, he escaped to France where he studied for priesthood

**432** Sent to Ireland as a Christian missionary by Pope Celestine I, who named him Patricius, which means noble in Latin; he introduced Roman alphabet, Latin literature; Christianized the land

**Familiar legend**  
He drove the snakes from Ireland by beating a drum

Saint Patrick was a fifth-century Romano-British Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland. . for Patrick's death, scholars of early Irish history tend to prefer a later date, c. Supporting the later date, the annals record that in "the.St. Patrick's Day History. History of Saint Patrick St Patrick is known as the patron saint of Ireland. True, he was not a born Irish. But he has become an integral."Tis the season for parades, green beer, shamrocks, and articles talking about why St. Patrick's day isn't all about parades, green beer, and shamrocks. First, a.The history of St Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland who was born in the second half of the 4th century, is inevitably sketchy. Even his year of birth is uncertain.Find out more about St. Patrick's Day, its origins, symbols, how it is celebrated worldwide and more. Get all the facts on carene-moto.comWas St Patrick Irish? When was St Patrick's Day first celebrated? Where were the first parades? We answer your questions on St Patrick's.Most people celebrating Saint Patrick's Day this March 17th won't be aware of the true origins of the holiday, or even its true meaning.St. Patrick: Saint Patrick, 5th-century apostle and the patron saint of Ireland. St. Patrick, (flourished 5th century, Britain and Ireland; feast day March 17), patron . travels with St. Patrick throughout Ireland, recounting the legends, history, and.When it comes to Saint Patrick, the true story is even more exciting than the there was the St. Patrick of myth, there was the Patrick of history.Read a brief biography about St Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. Find out when his saint's day is celebrated, and which type of clover he's associated with.Everyone knows about Saint Patrick -- the man who drove the snakes The historical Patrick was not Irish at all, but a spoiled and rebellious.St Patrick's Day is a global celebration of Irish culture on or around March It particularly remembers St Patrick, one of Ireland's patron saints, who ministered.When you think of St. Patrick's Day, you probably think of green beer, shot glass necklaces that say Kiss Me I'm Irish, and everybody talking.Here's what we know about the real history behind the holiday.Saint Patrick is not only the Patron Saint of Ireland, but he is also the Patron By all historical accounts, Patrick was captured by an Irish raiding.St Patrick was not actually Irish. His exact birthplace and date is not known. However it is believed he was born around AD in Scotland. His parents were .

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