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*We beg you,
holy youth,
that you shall come
and shall walk again among us.*

St. Patrick

On why he returned to Ireland, where he was once enslaved.

Have you ever wondered about the origins of St. Patrick's Day, Ireland's national holiday?

Who was Patrick, the saint on whom the day is based?

When (and where) did the first St. Patrick's Day parade occur? (Hint ... it wasn't in Ireland.)

Facts about legendary figures are usually surrounded by myth and later story-telling, and the tale of St. Patrick is no exception. But we can learn some things about the real person - from his own writings.

Let's investigate what he says.

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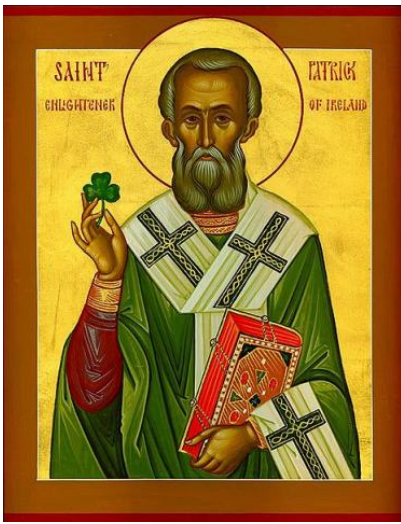


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