

SAINT PATRICK

17.03.25



PRAYER SERVICE YEAR 5 GIFT AMBASSADORS

Gathering Hymn

Father in my life I see
You are God who walks with me.
You hold my life in your hands
Close beside you I will stand
I give all my life to you
Help me Father, to be true.



Father

Jesus in my life I see
You are God who walks with me.
You hold my life in your hands
Close beside you I will stand
I give all my life to you
Help me Jesus, to be true.

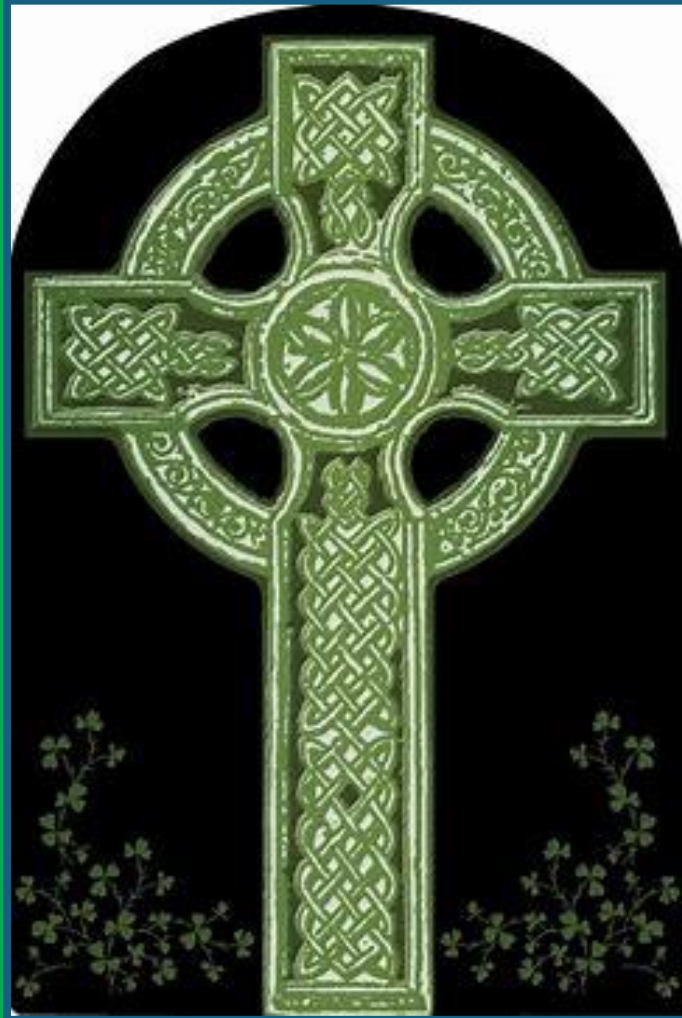


Jesus

Spirit in my life I see
You are God who walks with me.
You hold my life in your hands
Close beside you I will stand
I give all my life to you
Help me Spirit, to be true.



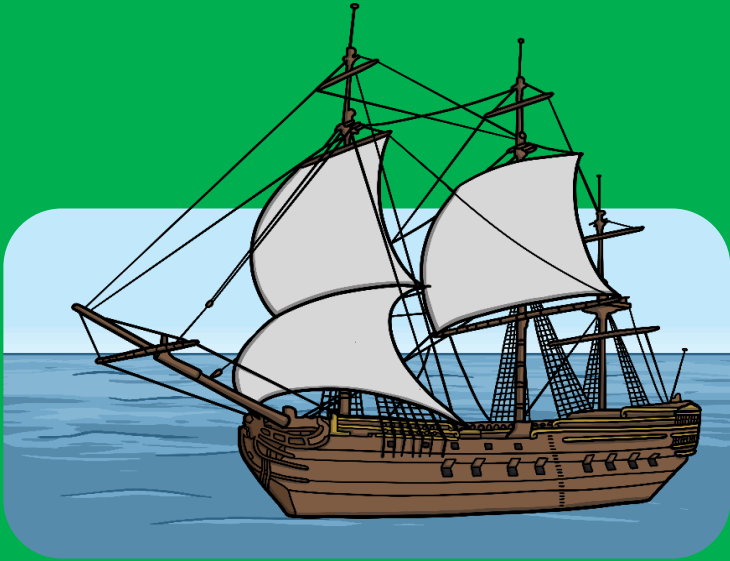
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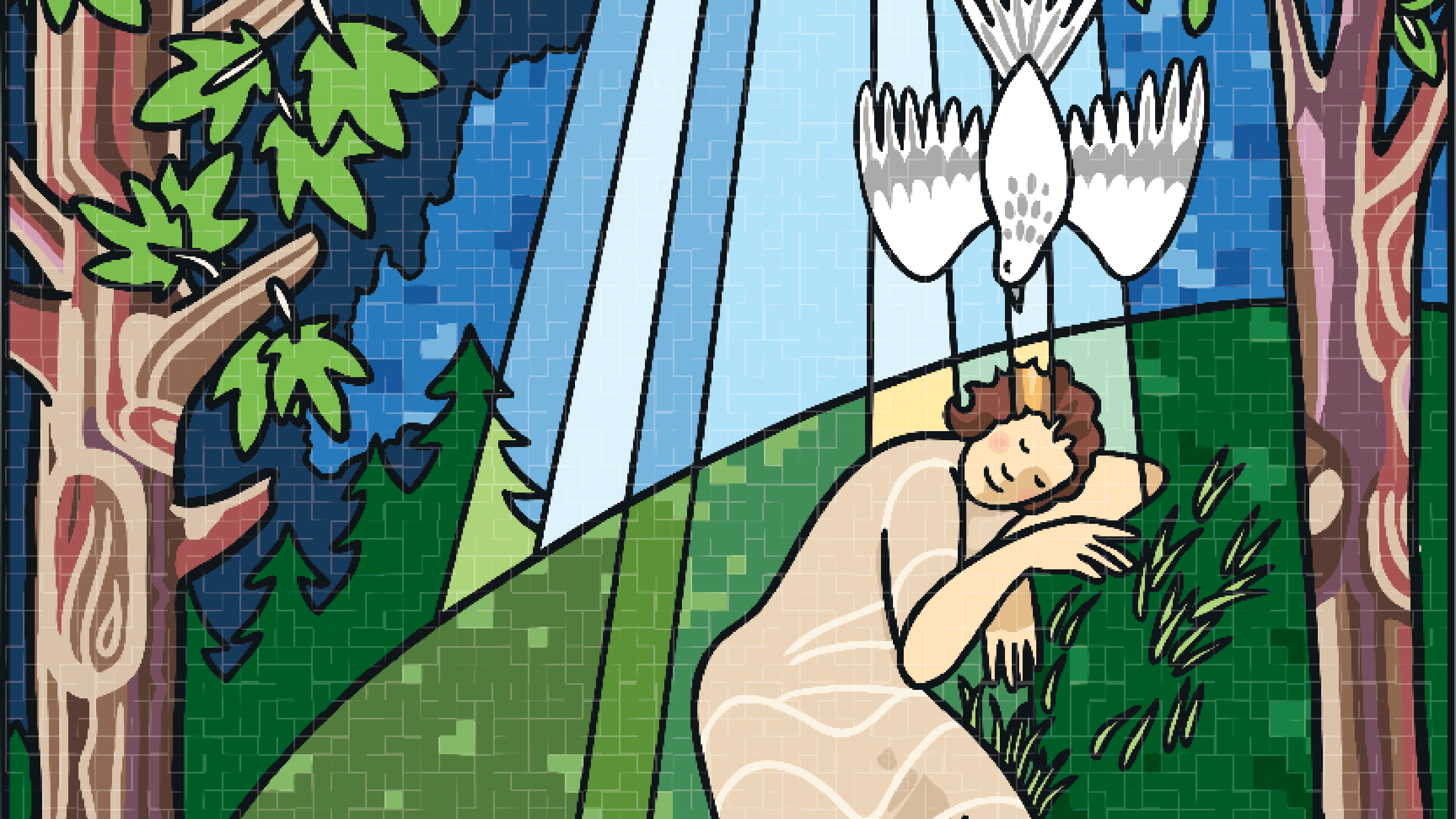
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WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT SAINT PATRICK?



I prayed in the woods and on the mountain. I felt no hurt from the snow or ice and rain.



SAINT PATRICK BECAME A PRIEST AND THEN A BISHOP



SAINT PATRICK AND THE SHAMROCK



Patrick said, Look. This shamrock leaf is like three green hearts, for they all come from the one stem. In the same way, God is One, but we know God's love in three ways.



I Like the Shamrock



I like the shamrock, I like Saint Patrick,
I like the music; I like to celebrate,
I like the dancing when the light is low.

Patrick, Patrick, Patrick, Saint Patrick.

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Patrick, Patrick, Patrick, Saint Patrick.



Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, O Lord,
You are the word of God;
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
let us receive your Word.



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples went to the hill in Galilee where Jesus had told them to go. He drew near and said to them, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples: baptise them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be with you always, to the end of the age."



The Gospel of the Lord.

Saint Patrick's Breastplate

Christ be with me

Christ within me

Christ behind me

Christ before me

Christ beside me

Christ to comfort and restore me

Christ beneath me

Christ above me

Christ in quiet and in danger

Christ in hearts of all that love me

Christ in mouth of friend and stranger

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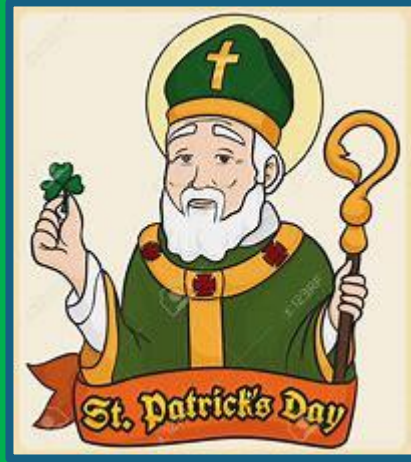
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Fields of Athenry

Low lie the fields of Athenry,
where once we watched the small free birds fly.
Our love was on the wing,
We had dreams and songs to sing
Its so lonely round the fields of Athenry.



Heavenly Father, please look after the people of Ireland who are celebrating their feast day. We remember Mr Kelly and his family that they will have a holy feast day.

Father, we adore you, lay our lives before you, how we love you.



Loving Son of God, I pray for my Grandad who used to live in Ireland and everyone else who is Irish that they will keep strong in their faith.

Jesus, we adore you, lay our lives before you, how we love you.



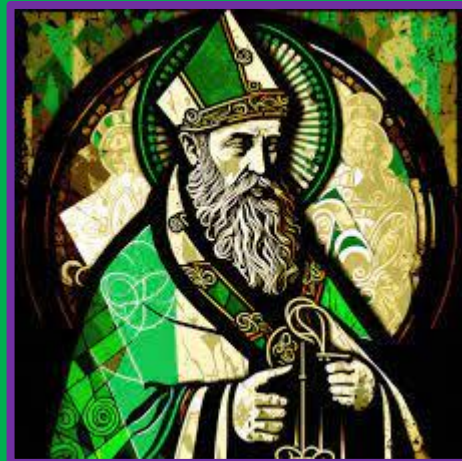
Holy Spirit, we pray for priests and sisters who left Ireland to share the good news as missionaries. May God be with them in the good times and bad.

Spirit, we adore you, lay our lives before you, how we love you.



Heavenly Father, when things are difficult instead of giving up let your light shine closer to us in every difficult task we take. Help us to remember you are by our side to comfort us.

Father, we adore you, lay our lives before you, how we love you.



Loving Son of God, we bring before you the people from Ukraine and Gaza who are suffering because of battles and wars. We pray that they will have lasting peace.

Jesus, we adore you, lay our lives before you,
how we love you.



Final Prayer

Thank you, God, as we celebrate the example of St Patrick, may we remember that we are also being called. Send us now like you sent St Patrick to share the Good News and to bring your blessing to others, in name of your Son Jesus. Amen.



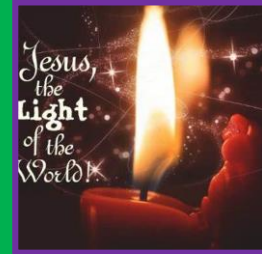
Final Hymn

Lord, the light of Your love is shining
in the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us,
Shine on me, shine on me.



Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations
with grace and mercy; Send forth Your word,
Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance,
By the blood I may enter your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.



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Our Go Forth Message is to be like Saint Patrick and share the good news of Jesus.

We can do this by going to Mass, praying at home and sharing the love of God by using kind words and actions.





Old Irish Blessing

May the road rise up to meet you.

May the wind always be at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face,
and rains fall soft upon your fields.

And until we meet again,

May God hold you in the palm of His hand.