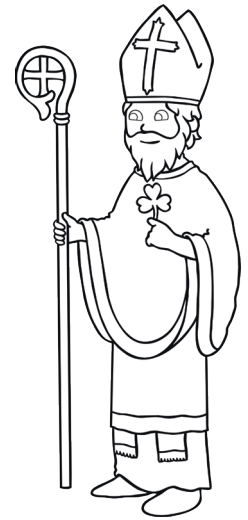


Saint Patrick

Read the story and use the words from the box to fill in the gaps.

Long ago, there lived a young boy in _____. His name was Patrick. One day he was out playing on the beach with his friends when _____ came from _____ and kidnapped him. They took him across the Irish Sea away from his family and friends. They sold him as a slave to a _____. Poor Patrick had to mind the farmer's _____ on the _____ each day and night. He was very hungry, cold and lonely there. He prayed to for help. One dark night he heard a _____. It told him to go to the _____ and he did. When he got to the harbour there was a _____. He got onto it and went back to his home in Wales. Patrick prayed a lot and some years later he decided to become a _____. He went to _____ and after some time he became a bishop. Patrick was happy but soon he wanted to come back to Ireland to tell the people about _____. When he arrived the people didn't know about Jesus but he taught them from the Bible. He baptised them. Patrick died in _____ and was buried in Downpatrick. The people of Ireland loved him very much and he became the most important _____ for them.



Each year, Irish people celebrate Saint Patrick's Day on the 17th of _____. They wear _____ badges and shamrocks to remind them of him. There are _____ in most towns and cities and people get a day off from school and work. It is a special time of year.

farmer	sheep	priest	Ireland	Ireland
stories	voice	pirates	Wales	green
Jesus	boat	parades	mountain	God
March	harbour	France	saint	

Saint Patrick Answers

Long ago, there lived a young boy in **Wales**. His name was Patrick. One day he was out playing on the beach with his friends when **pirates** came from **Ireland** and kidnapped him. They took him across the Irish Sea away from his family and friends. They sold him as a slave to a **farmer**. Poor Patrick had to mind the farmer's **sheep** on the **mountain** each day and night. He was very hungry, cold and lonely there. He prayed to **God** for help. One dark night he heard a **voice**. It told him to go to the **harbour** and he did. When he got to the harbour there was a **boat**. He got onto it and went back to his home in Wales. Patrick prayed a lot and some years later he decided to become a **priest**. He went to **France** and after some time he became a bishop. Patrick was happy but soon he wanted to come back to Ireland to tell the people about **Jesus**. When he arrived the people didn't know about Jesus but he taught them **stories** from the Bible. He baptised them. Patrick died in **Ireland** and was buried in Downpatrick. The people of Ireland loved him very much and he became the most important **saint** for them. Each year, Irish people celebrate Saint Patrick's Day on the 17th of **March**. They wear **green** badges and shamrocks to remind them of him. There are **parades** in most towns and cities and people get a day off from school and work. It is a special time of year.