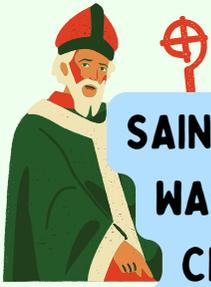


St. Patrick's Day



SAINT PATRICK'S REAL NAME WAS MAEWYN SUCCAT. HE CHANGED HIS NAME TO PATRICK AFTER BECOMING A PRIEST.



FACTS

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADES STARTED IN AMERICA, NOT IN IRELAND,



OUT OF 46 AMERICAN PRESIDENTS, 23 PRESIDENTS INCLUDING THE CURRENT PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN, HAVE IRISH ROOTS.

THE ROMAN COLOSSEUM, LEANING TOWER OF PISA, SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE AND THE BURJ AL ARAB IN DUBAI LIGHT UP GREEN ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



PADDY DAY WAS INITIALLY A DRY DAY, OWING TO ITS RELIGIOUS SIGNIFICANCE.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY WAS OFFICIALLY DECLARED A RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY ON 17 MARCH 1631 BY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

THE CHICAGO RIVER IS DYED GREEN EVERY YEAR AS PART OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION.



BEER IS THE MOST POPULAR DRINK FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY WITH GUINNESS SELLING NEARLY 13 MILLION PINTS WORLDWIDE!

THE ODDS OF FINDING A FOUR-LEAF CLOVER ARE ABOUT 1 IN 10,000. CONSIDER YOURSELF VERY LUCKY IF YOU DO FIND ONE!

