

ST. PATRICK

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# The Story of SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

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Each year on  
March 17,  
we celebrate  
Saint  
Patrick's  
Day.

We like to wear  
green.



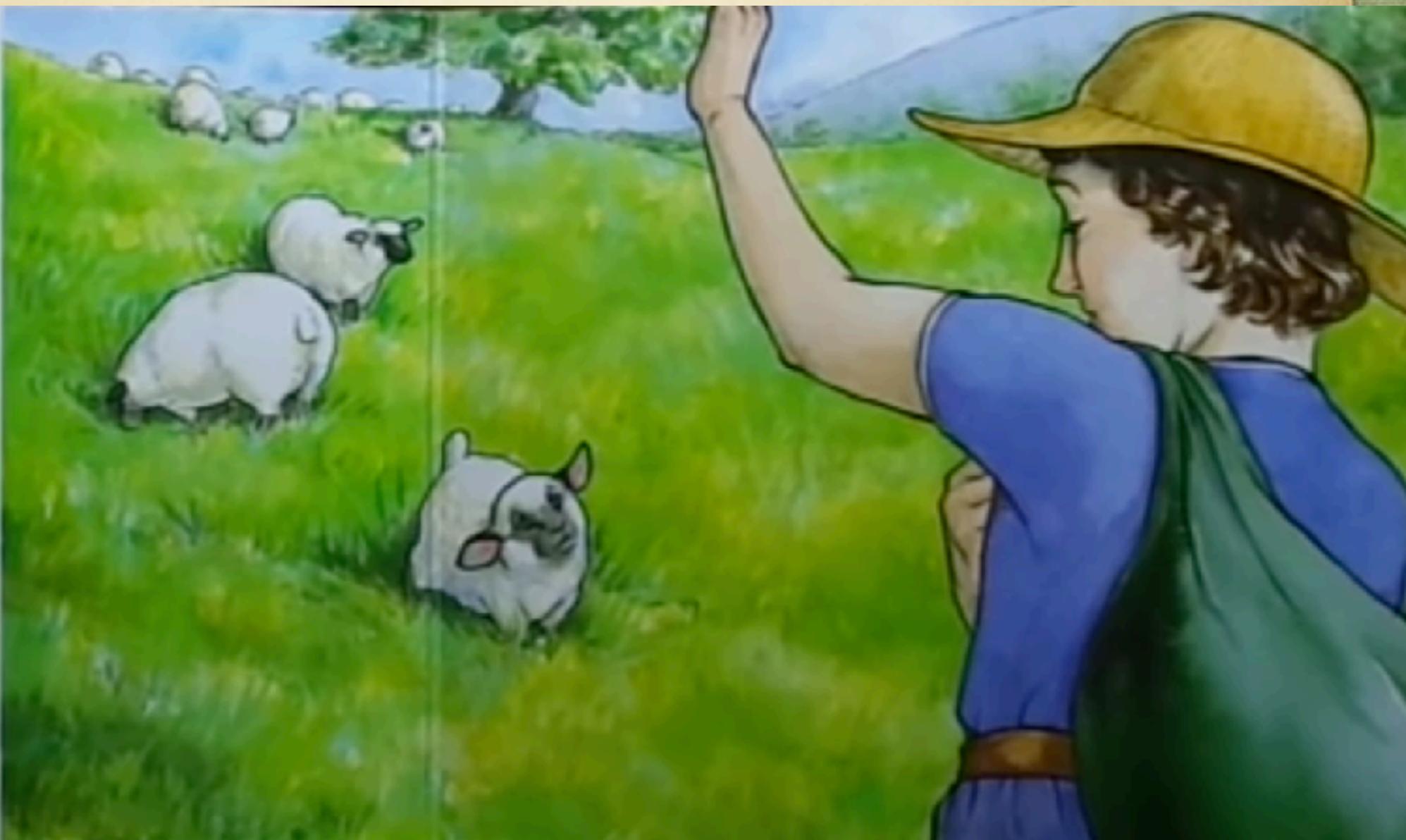


We make paper  
shamrocks  
and harps. We  
dress up like  
leprechauns.  
And we remember  
a man called  
Saint Patrick.

Patrick lived  
many years ago.  
As a young boy,  
he was taken to  
Ireland.  
He had to take  
care of the sheep.



Patrick missed  
his family. He  
prayed  
to God to send  
him home. One  
day, Patrick did  
go back home.



But now  
Patrick missed  
Ireland. So he  
studied hard  
and became a  
priest.





Patrick went  
back to Ireland.  
He built  
churches.  
He told the Irish  
people about  
God.

And one story  
says that Patrick  
told all the  
snakes  
to leave Ireland.  
And they did!





A plant called a shamrock grows in Ireland. Patrick taught that its three leaves stand for God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

On Saint Patrick's Day, some people dress up like leprechauns. Leprechauns are make-believe.



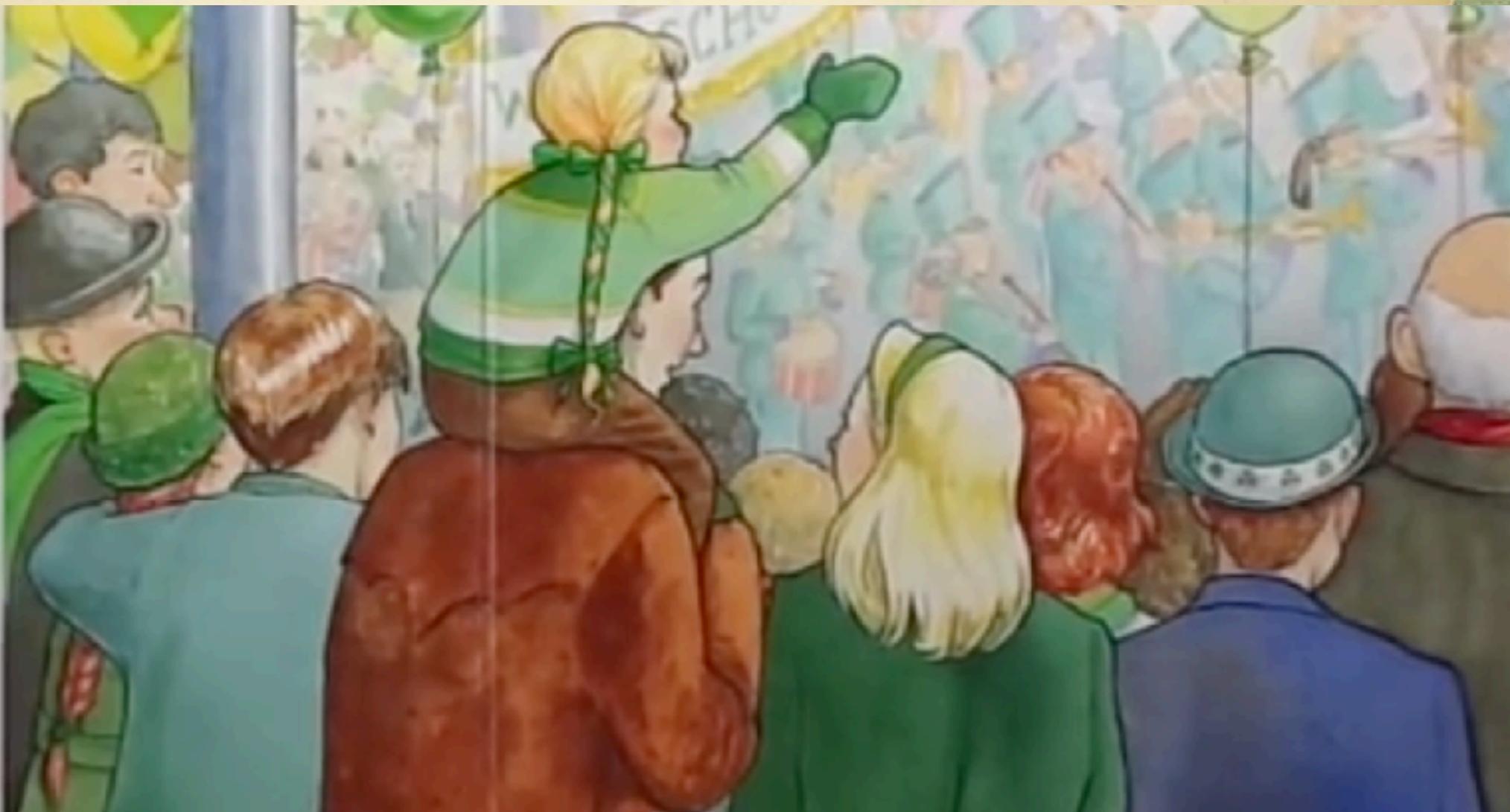


Other people  
dance

the Irish jig to the  
music of the harp.

The harp is the  
national instrument  
of Ireland.

Many towns  
have Saint  
Patrick's Day  
parades.





On Saint Patrick's Day  
we have fun with  
leprechauns,  
shamrocks, and harps.  
And we remember a  
godly man, called  
**Saint Patrick**.