

## Our Patron Saints: Saint Andrew



Tradition tells us that St Andrew was crucified on an X-shaped cross or saltire which is why the Scottish flag has a white X on it, and why it is sometimes called a saltire.

Fill in the blanks in St Andrew's story choosing words from the word-bank below.

**Saint Andrew** is the Patron Saint of Scotland and \_\_\_\_\_.  
He was born in \_\_\_\_\_ and was the brother of Simon Peter. They were both \_\_\_\_\_ and followers of \_\_\_\_\_. The name Andrew means \_\_\_\_\_. There is a legend that Andrew was once shipwrecked on the island of \_\_\_\_\_ and he touched a \_\_\_\_\_ with his staff and healing water flowed out. He then used it to heal the ship's \_\_\_\_\_ who was \_\_\_\_\_.

### Word-Bank

Jesus   beautiful   lame   brave  
Greece   Captain   the Queen  
Galilee   blind   fishermen  
parrot   England   a hospital  
Cyprus   teachers   tree   rock  
Cuba   engineer



## Our Patron Saints: Saint David

**St David** is the Patron Saint of Wales and he is celebrated on March 1<sup>st</sup>. He was descended from Welsh royalty and founded 12 monasteries. He was made the Archbishop of Wales in 550AD.

St David was said to be a strict vegetarian. Why don't you find a vegetarian recipe using leeks (the national symbol of Wales) and write it here. Maybe you can make it for your family.



St Davids (*Tyddewi* in Welsh) is the city named after St David. It is the smallest city in the UK and it situated in the west of Wales, and has a very beautiful Cathedral also called St David's!



The flag of St David is a gold cross on a black background



In 664 a terrible plague swept throughout Britain.



**St Ethelburga** was the Abbess of a Benedictine Abbey in Barking, Essex, and she and the rest of the women in her religious community cared for the sick and the dying during this awful time. She was the first leader of a monastic order for women in England. She was known for her compassion in caring for others, and she died the death of a hero, having contracted the plague herself.

## Our Patron Saints: Saint Ethelburga

Who is your hero? Draw them here as a saint.

**St Ethelburga** was a strong woman, and a great leader who was committed to serving others even at the cost of her own life.

There is a chapel named after her in **St Paul's Cathedral**, and a church was named after her in Bishopsgate, which is now St Ethelburga's Centre for Reconciliation and Peace. **She is the Patron Saint of London.**

## Our Patron Saints: Saint George



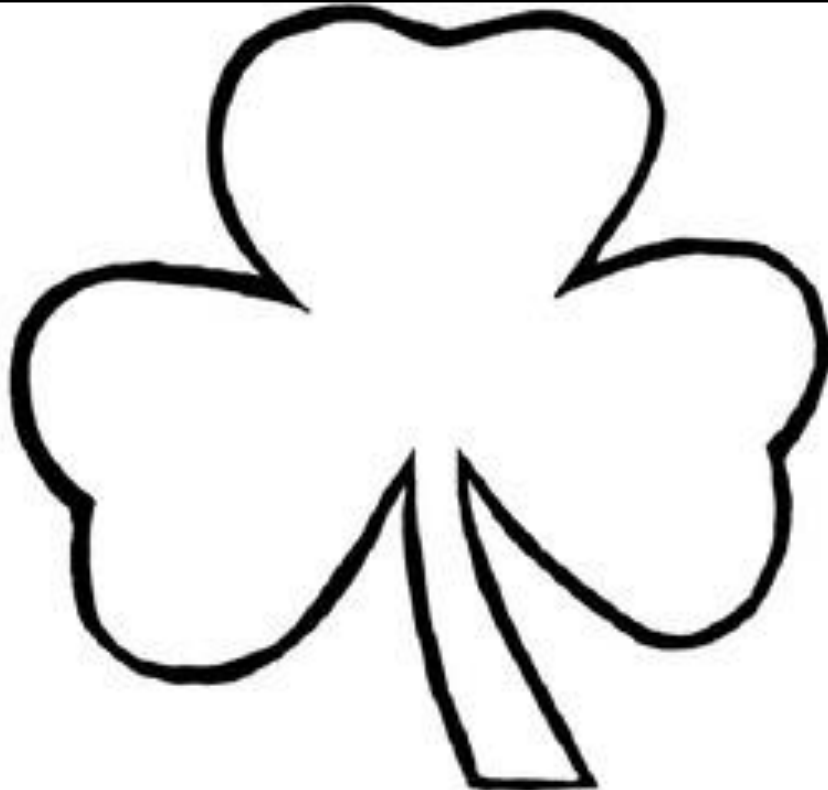
It is unlikely that St George ever visited England, but he was known for his honour and his bravery, which is why he was made England's patron saint.

**St George** is the Patron Saint of England. He lived between 270 and 303 AD. He was born in Turkey and was a Christian and a soldier in the Roman Army. When he pleaded with the Roman Emperor to stop killing Christians, the Emperor refused to listen and killed George as well. He is celebrated on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. His flag shows a red cross on a white background and it makes up part of the Union Jack, the flag of the United Kingdom.



There is a legend that St George killed a dragon and rescued a Princess. Do some research into the story and draw a storyboard or cartoon below:

**St Patrick** is famous for using the leaf of a clover plant to try to explain the Trinity (God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit). Use the template below to write words or draw pictures that relate to your understanding of God.

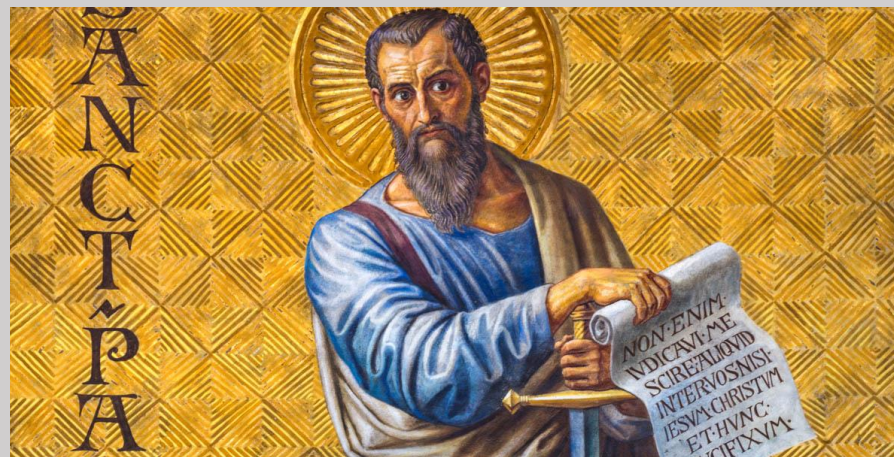


He was born in Wales, but **St Patrick** is the Patron Saint of Ireland and he is celebrated on the 17<sup>th</sup> March. He was brought to Ireland as a slave and after he escaped he went back there as a missionary.

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## Our Patron Saints: Saint Paul



**Saint Paul** is the Patron Saint of St Paul's Cathedral. The current St Paul's Cathedral is the fifth one on that site. The previous St Paul's Cathedral burned down in the Great Fire of London in 1666, and the current St Paul's was built in 35 years, rising like a phoenix from the ashes of that terrible fire.

Inside, under its magnificent dome are beautiful paintings of the life of St Paul and his missionary journeys. He travelled far and wide, telling people about Jesus, and encouraging them to love one another, just like Jesus had taught.

Every year in January the Cathedral remembers St Paul in its Patronal Festival, a service of wonderful music and celebration.



### St Paul's Missionary Journeys Word Search

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Study the  
Word Search.  
Can you find  
the following  
places that St  
Paul visited?

ANTIOCH  
ATHENS  
CAESAREA  
CORINTH  
CYPRUS  
EPHESUS  
LYSTRA  
PHILIPPI  
RHODES  
ROME  
TARSUS  
TYRE